RG104 Entry 235

Volume 054

Part 1

July 19, 1889 – September 9, 1889
Letters Sent from Mint Headquarters

Fair copies of letters and telegrams sent from U.S. Mint headquarters to various official and individual recipients.

Some of these letters duplicate those of Entry 1, and others are responses to letters in those boxes or in Entry 229 “Letters Received.”

Auditor, First, 45, 99, 116, 137, 144, 147, 150, 157, 164, 179, 193, 209, 210, 219,
243, 264, 308, 472, 478, 483, 496,

Adams Ex. Co. 154, 375, 453,

American Ex. Co. 96, 425,

Am. Stat^{cal} Association, Secretary of 493,

Am. Ex. Nat'l B'nk. 41, 67, 72, 91, 111, 127, 140, 155, 168, 182, 231, 253, 27
289, 306, 328, 344, 366, 385, 407, 441, 487,

Ansonia Brass & Copper Co. 350.

Architect, Supervising 207.

Atwood, H. D. 50,

Ass't. Treas'r S. F. 406.

Ass't. Sec'y, Kansas City Sm. & Ref. Co. See: Edward Brush.

Boisé Assay Office, 13, 14, 15, 24, 29, 46, 52, 58, 62, 63, 65, 69, 113, 114, 123, 133, 153, 156, 169, 176, 190, 194. 195. 211, 219, 233, 256, 258, 267, 277, 278, 282, 297, 322, 330, 332, 337, 338, 339, 347, 360, 361, 378, 386. 387, 412, 420, 421, 426, 435, 443, 444, 472, 489, 496. 498

Bank of New Amsterdam – Cashier 297 –

Boston & Colo. Sm. Co. 41, 56, 66. 73, 91, 128, 168, 193, 270. 289, 344, 385, 407, 424, 442, 450; 470, 487,

Blake, W. P. — 140,

Beers, Miss M. – 451.
Baird, H. C. – 490,
Balto. Copper Smelting & Rolling Co., 37. 41, 231, 263, 288, 423,

Bergen, Hon. C. A. – 412,

Brush, Edward – 193, 450, 459,

Bureau Statistics 232, 290, 472, 488, 495.

Bosbyshell, O. C. – 466 –

Bright, Miss M. – 486,

B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

C

Carson Mint, 16, 25, 26, 30, 39, 42, 46, 47, 54, 55, 56, 59, 72, 74, 75, 85, 86, 87, 90, 92, 93, 99, 108, 120, 126, 132, 135, 137, 138, 141, 155, 159, 160, 164, 170, 171, 177, 182, 184, 195 196, (206,) 211, 212, 213, 220, 249, 256, 257, 258, 259, 267, 271, 272, 283, 285, 291, 297, 298, 299, 309, 313, 323, 324, 325, 339, 340, 347, 348, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 361, 370, 376, 378, 379, 387, 401, 402, 409, 413, 414, 432, 436, 445, 455, 460, 473, 479, 483, 484, 489, 497, 498.

Charlotte Assay Office - 1, 17, 25, 30, 31, 42, 46, 78, 101, 108, 116, 131, 137, 143, 157, 192, 196, 219, 221, 243, 250, 258, 259, 267, 273, 299, 322, 339, 362, 363, 379, 380, 388, 392, 402, 409, 436, 444, 473, 497, 498,

Circular Letter, (Mints & Assay Offices) 322, 339,

Circular Letter (Assay Offices.) 190.

Clark Dodge & Co. 23, 41, 56, 66, 73, 91, 141, 155, 168, 183, 231, 242, 255, 270, 289, 306, 329, 350, 354, 385, 407, 424, 442,

Cashier, First Lander B'nk. 493.

Coast & Geodetic Survey - Supt. - 40. 51, 83,

Comings, Geo. R. 37, 45.

Consul U.S., (Capetown) - 9.

Comptroller of Treas'y - First - 233. 460,

Corsa, Jas. W. - 38. 64,

Copper Queen Consol^d Mining Co. 263.

Chief Clerk, Treas'y. Dept. - 69,

" " State Dept. - 453.

Chandler, Col. J. G. - 61.

Collector of Customs (N.O). 175, 353,

County Nat'l B'k. - (Clearfield, Pa.) 468.

Connell, Hon. W. J. - 476.

Denver Mint. 2, 18, 31, 46, 48, 53, 70, 79, 101, 121, 145, 148, 167, 179, 184, 192, 197, 219, 234, 244, 250, 257, 259, 268, 283, 294, 300, 306, 310, 313, 323, 332, 333, 339, 355, 361, 370, 371, 388, 393, 394, 402, 414, 432, 437, 445, 456, 473, 479, 480, 497, 498,

Director, Mint, 337,

Dep.ty Qr-Master, U. S. A., N. Y. 61,

Dep't. State - Chief Clk. 453.

Dewey & Co. 175.
Dewey, Davis R. 493 - 493.

Douglas, J. Jr. (Pres'dt. Copper Queen Consol. Mining Co.) - 263.

Donley, W. H. 417,

DeLuy - E. 431,

Eimer & Amend. - 22, 60, 321, 349,

Easterling, J. L. - 96,

Eckfeldt, J. B. 275.

Express Co. - Northern Pacific - Supt. 175.
g't) " " Adams. 154. 375 - 453.

Edge, N. J. H. - 297 -

Engineering & Mining Journal - 500.

Fourth National Bank. 23, 67, 73, 90. 128, 185. 256. 270, 289, 329, 344, 385. 407, 425, 442. 470. 487,

Fargo, Charles, 96,

First Comptroller – 233, 460,

First, Lander Bank. – 493 –

Germany, (U. S. Minister) _ 56, 492,

Garrard, Wm _ 206.

Globe Machine Co. (The) _ 449,

"Glenham" Hotel _ 305,

Guthrie, S. _ 384.

Helena Assay Office, 2, 8, 18, 32, 46, 58, 69, 78, 106, 107, 109, 111, 126, 130, 133, 1
146, 150, 165, 192, 197, 213, 220, 235, 236, 245, 246, 250, 258, 260, 264, 268, 273,
278, 284, 285, 291, 301, 302, 307, 314, 323, 326, 340. 362, 371, 372, 395, 409, 414, 426,
437, 433, 444, 446, 473, 497,

Handy & Harman, 23, 41, 67, 73, 91, 110, 128, 140, 155, 168, 183, 193, 231, 25
271, 290, 296, 305, 312, 320, 329, 344, 350, 385, 407, 425, 442, 470, 488,

Hollis, Geo. F. - 9.

Hopper, Hiram - 322.

Hutchins, Mrs. D. L. - 431.

Jonas, B. F. 175, 353,

Jones, Enoch. 477.

Kimball, Jas. P. 337.

Kline, Fred. C. 207.

Kansas City Sm. & Ref. Co. (Ass't. Sec'y) - See: Edward Brush.

Leet, W. N. 44,

Leech, E. O. 71.

Longman's Sons. — 84,

Langley, Prof. S. P. 383.

La Grange — O. H. 495-

Lindsay, Wm D. — 451-

Lee, J. Fenner — 453-

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

Mendenhall, Mr. T.C. 40, 51, 83,

Minister, U.S. (Germany), 56, 492

Moss, Geo. W. – 154, 375, 453.

Maxwell, W.S. 336.

Mining & Scientific Press. – 175.

Macdonald, Chas. F. 376.

Mexico – (Treas'y Dep't.) 187.

Merchant & Co. – 452 - 487,

Meyendorf, M.A. 320 - 406.

Morris, Isaac B. – 459.

Morrow, Hon. W.W. – 482,

M
N
O
P
Q
R
S
T
U
V
W
X
Y
Z

New Orleans, Mint. 4, 18, 33, 47, 48, 49, 53, 54, 59, 65, 70, 76, 79, 93, 94, 98, 105, 118, 121, 122, 124, 129, 134, 138, 141, 143, 144, 151, 156, 162, 171, 172, 177, 179, 188, 196, 197, 198, 208, 213, 214, 222, 223, 225, 237, 238, 239, 246, 249, 251, 252, 259, 265, 269, 272, 273, 274, 285, 286, 292, 294, 311, 315, 317, 323, 333, 334, 340, 341, 348, 353, 356, 362, 363, 380, 389, 396, 404, 410, 411, 415, 421, 422, 426, 427, 433, 438, 445, 461, 474, 480, 485, 499.

New York Assay Office, 3, 4, 19, 33, 47, 50, 60, 79, 80, 99, 125, 148, 151, 180, 200, 201, 202, 214, 215, 216, 252, 258, 260, 274, 323, 326, 334, 340, 341, 342, 352, 362, 368, 372, 374, 382, 403, 415, 448, 461, 474, 484, 485, 499.

Nesslage, Colgate & Co. 41, 67, 74, 140, 168, 344, 350, 385, 407.

National Ex. B'k - (Boston) - Presd't. — see E. L. Tead.

New York Times, Publisher, 441.

Northern Pacific Ex. Co. (Sup't.) 175.

N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

Orr & Hess Machine Co. _38.

O'Neal, Leander _ 343.

Omaha & Grant Sm. & Ref'g Co. 450, 469-

Philadelphia, Mint. 4, 5. 9. 20, 25, 27, 34, 35, 40, 42, 43, 44, 47, 50, 59,
75, 76, 77, 80, 81, 84, 89, 92, 93, 94, 97, 98, 105, 107, 111, 112, 121, 125, 129, 130, 135, 13
142, 145, 149, 151, 156, 158, 159, 163, 165, 166, 167, 172, 173, 178, 181, 185, 189, 190,
200, 215, 217, 223, 226, 227, 228, 239, 241, 247, 247, 252, 253, 257, 259, 260, 2
266, 269. 279, 286, 287, 292, 293, 295, 302, 303, 304, 311, 315. 316, 317, 323, 327,
335, 340, 341, 342, 343. 348, 349, 352, 353, 356, 357, 358, 362, 364, 365, 374
376, 381, 382, 389. 390. 397, 398, 404, 405, 406, 412, 416, 421, 422, 427, 428, 4
438, 439. 445, 447, 448, 456, 457, 461. 462, 474, 475, 480, 481, 485, 486,

Parks, Saml. C. – 493 –

Phoenix Manf'g Co. 7, 173, 440
" " " (Treas) 50,

Phelps, Hon. Wm Walter – 492.

Poisson, L. J. – 368;

Powell, H. B. – 468 –

P.O. Dept., Supt. Money Order System. 376.

Publisher, "N. Y. Times" – 441

"Press Co, The" – 477

Quartermaster U.S. Army, Chief, (N.Y.)	36. 349,
" " " " Deputy, "	61

Reichhelm, E. P. & Co. – 127, 174, 182, 230, 360, 416,

Reagan, Hon. John. H., 500.

Rothwell, R. P. – 500.

San Francisco Mint, 2, 6, 7, 27, 28, 35, 47, 63, 66, 82, 83, 103, 105, 112, 113, 124, 128, 133, 139, 141, 167, 177, 204. 205, 206, 208, 215, 216. 217, 223, 229, 241, 253, 254, 259, 270, 272. 287, 293, 296, 304, 312, 315, 317, 318, 320. 323, 327, 328, 335, 340, 341, 353, 358, 359, 360, 362, 365, 366. 371, 411, 422, 424, 430, 432, 433, 444, 446, 449, 458, 463. 464. 476, 481, 482, 484, 490, 499. 500,

Smyth, Andrew W. - 453 - 465 - 466. 494.

Shipman, J. - 439,

St. Gaudens - Bernard. - 454.

St. Gaudens - Louis - 471.

St. Louis Assay Office, 20, 30, 31, 32, 36. 47, 79, 81, 95, 108, 110, 126, 131, 154, 161, 163, 181, 186, 192, 196, 202, 203, 204, 216. 221, 224, 248, 259, 266, 275, 277. 288. 305, 310, 323, 340. 362, 383. 390. 398, 410, 423, 445, 465, 497. 499.

St. Louis. Im. & Rf. Co. 450.

Seligman & Co. 23, 67, 74, 91, 140, 155, 255, 271, 290, 306, 344, 470,

Sharpe, Genl. Geo. H. - 390 - 391 - 450. 494,

Secretary Treasury, 10. 11, 12, 13, 23, 28, 29, 51, 52, 57, 64, 68, 77, 82, 85, 100, 102, 103, 109, 115, 119, 122, 132, 134, 146, 147, 152, 164, 169, 176 178, 185, 187, 218, 242, 248, 263, 266, 279, 280, 281, 282, 308, 312, 329, 330, 337. 345, 351, 369, 377, 386, 392, 400, 401, 408, 418, 419, 425, 432, 433, 434, 435, 442, 460, 471. 478, 488, 495.

(Secy) Smithsonian Institution - 383,

Spiegel, J. R. - 441,

Supervising Architect. 207,

State Dept - Chief Clk - 453 -

St. John, W. P. - 230,

Stavoli, Senor Don Javier. - 187,

Switzler, Wm F. 232. 290.

Sylvester, I. W. - 486.

S
T
U
V
W
X
Y

Treasury, Secretary, 10, 11, 12, 13. 23, 28, 29, 51, 52, 57, 64. 68, 77, 82, 85, 100, 102, 10
109, 115, 119, 122, 132, 134, 146, 147, 152, 164, 169, 176, 178, 185, 187, 218, 242, 248, 263, 26
279, 280, 281, 282, 308, 312, 329, 330, 337 345. 369, 377, 386. 392. 400, 401, 408, 418, 419, 425,
433, 434, 435, 442. 460. 471. 478.
488.

Chief Clerk
Treasy. Dep't. 69.

Tead, E. L. .. 491

Theobald, Erwin E. .. 22.

Third Nat'l. B'k. 385.

Tompkins, Col. C. H. 36, 349.

Torrey, H. G. - 467.

Treasurer U. S. - Asst. - S. F. - 406.

The Globe Machine Co. 449.

"The Press Co." 477.

U. S. Coast & Geodetic Survey, Supt. – 40. 51.

U. S. Consul (Cape Town) 9.

U. S. Minister (Germany) – 56.

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

Warner, O., jr. - 21, 37, 61,

Wharton, Jos. 232, 417,

Webber, Chas. F. - 321,

Whitehead, Cabell - 367.

Williams, Messrs. J. L. & Son - 367,
Williams, Geo. B. 384;

Wild, H. F. - 368 -

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

X
Y
Z

Yaffky, Bros., 186,

Zimmermann & Forshay – 344. 345.

July 12th, 1889.

Robert P. Waring Esq.,
Late Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

Your communication of the 29th ultimo enclosing a tabulated statement of expenditures for the six months ended June 30, 1889, and also for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, has been received at this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 19th, 1889.

Robert P. Waring Esq.,
Late Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

Acknowledging the receipt of your communication of the 17th instant, I have communicated with the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia and asked him to expedite the return on your shipment of last month No. 6.
The annual settlement at the Mint at Philadelphia closed only yesterday, which has delayed the transaction of their usual business.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 19th, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the Month of July, 1889, has been approved for the sum of $2,400, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries	1890	$1100
Wages of Workmen	1890	1100
Contingent Expenses	1890	200

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco.

+ + + + + +

+ $23,000. + + + +

Salaries,	1890,	$4,000.
Wages of Workmen,	1890,	16,000.
Contingent Expenses,	1890,	3,000.

Telegram Confirmed

July 19, 1889.

Assayer in charge, Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Assistant Treasurer at New York instructed by to-days mail to place one hundred thousand dollars to your credit.

Jas. P. Kimball, Director, Mint.

July 19th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

Your communication of the 18th instant enclosing a statement of earnings and expenditures covering the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, and also a statement of the operations of your institution for the same period, has been received.

The statement of operations marked "Exhibits A, B and C," I think will be used in connection with the next annual report of this Bureau, in lieu of the textual matter heretofore inserted relative to the business of your assay office.

You might supplement the statement already forwarded by a statement showing the work of the assay department.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 19th, 1889

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

Your annual statement of wastage and loss on sale of sweeps covering the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, has been received at this Bureau.

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 19th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N.Y.

Sir:

Your communication of the 18th instant enclosing a statement of operations, and also of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, has been received.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 19th, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Boston & Colorado Smelting Company, 65000 Ounces, at $0.9235

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 19, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your statement of silver purchased from June 17 to 26, inclusive, is returned herewith for your signature and for correction of rate, which should be entered as 92¼ ¢ instead of 92½ ¢.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 19, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Herewith find enclosed page No. 1 of letter of this Bureau under date of the 17th instant, approving awards for supplies, corrected as per your letter of transmittal of the 18th instant.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 19, 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Please make your report on shipment No. 6 from Charlotte made last month, as soon as practicable.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 19, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent, Mint,
Philadelphia.

What will be the largest number of silver dollars you can coin this month?

Jas. P. Kimball
Director Mint.

July 19, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
San Francisco.

Sir:

C. D. No. 58 for $\$2378.^{40}$, being on account of unexpended balance of appropriation for wages of workmen 1889, inclosed in your communication of the 13th instant, has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Ordinary accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a repayment to the credit of appropriation for "Wages of Workmen, San Francisco Mint, 1889."

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Four (4) Similar letters (except as here noted) to same address:

+ + + + + +

C. D. #59 for $\$2721.^{47}$ + + + unexpended balance of appropriation for Contingent Expenses 1889 + + +
+ + as a repayment to the credit of appropriation for "Contingent Expenses, San Francisco Mint, 1889" +
+ + + + + +

C. D. No. 61 for $\$6.^{00}$ + + unexpended balance of Contingent appropriation, office of Director of the Mint (Mining Statistics). + + +
+ + as repayment to the credit of the appropriation for "Contingent expenses, "Office of Director of the Mint." + + +

C. D. No. 62 for $\$7702.^{09}$ + + + surplus bullion + +
+ + in your Bullion accounts + + +
+ + Miscellaneous receipt." + + +

C. D. No. 60 for $\$136.^{29}$ + + + unexpended balance from Standard Silver dollar appropriation + + + Ordinary accounts +
+ to the credit of the appropriation for the coinage of the standard silver dollar. +
+ + + + + + + + +

July 19th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Referring to your communication of the 13th instant transmitting certain certificates of deposit covering into the Treasury the unexpended balances of funds advanced you from appropriations covering the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, you will understand that when you turn the mint over to your successor you will deposit in the Treasury the unexpended balance of funds advanced you from the appropriation for parting and refining bullion, as well as any unexpended balances of funds advanced you from the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1890.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 19, 1889.

To the Phoenix Manf'g. Co.,
Taunton, Mass.

Gentlemen:-

In reply to your letter without date, wishing to be informed if the awards for the supply of crucibles &c. had been made for the Denver, Carson and Philadelphia Mints and the Assay Office at Charlotte, you are informed that the same have been made with the exception of the Mint at Carson. All inquiries with regard to the awards of supplies should be addressed to the Superintendents of the respective institutions and not to this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 20th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

Your ordinary expense account for the month of June 1889, with accompanying vouchers and abstracts, has been received at this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 20th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Sir:

C. D. No. 8 for $\$67^{25}$ being on account of unexpended balance of appropriation for wages of workmen, 1889, inclosed in your communication of the 12th inst, has been received properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Ordinary accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a repayment to the credit of the appropriation for "Wages of Workmen, Helena Assay Office, 1889."

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director

Two (2) Similar letters, except as here noted, & same address:

C. D. No. 12 for $\$9^{45}$ + + unexpended balance of contingent fund, 1889, + + + + + + + .
+ "Contingent expenses, Helena Assay Office, 1889" + +

C. D. No. 292 for $\$0.^{07}$ + + unexpended balance of appropriation for Salaries, 1889, + + + + + for "Salaries, Helena Assay Office, 1889." + + + +

July 20th, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your communication of the 19th instant transmitting a statement of the wastages of the Operative Officers during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, and the mode of re-imbursement, has been received at this Bureau, together with the abstracts and accounts current of your ordinary and refinery expense accounts for the month of June, of which the statements of wastages constitute vouchers.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 20th, 1889.

George F. Hollis, Esq.,
United States Consul,
Cape Town, S. Africa.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your esteemed favor of the 12th ultimo transmitting a statement of the gold exported from Cape Colony from 1885 to 1889 inclusive, and to express the thanks of this Bureau for your kindness in furnishing these valuable statistics.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 22, 1889.

Hon. William Windom

Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Assay Office at Boisé to that of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Twenty Thousand One Hundred and Seventy-two $\frac{01}{100}$ Dollars ($20,172.$\frac{01}{100}$) in Gold Coin, and Three Hundred and One $\frac{22}{100}$ Dollars (301\frac{22}{100}$,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Twenty Thousand Four Hundred and Seventy-three $\frac{23}{100}$ Dollars, ($20,473$\frac{23}{100}$,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Boisé City, as shown by Memorandum dated July 16th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Two Similar letters, except as to amounts, to same address:

Six Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty-five $\frac{76}{100}$ Dollars ($6,655$\frac{76}{100}$)
One Hundred and Twenty-two $\frac{53}{100}$ Dollars (122\frac{53}{100}$.)
Six Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-eight $\frac{29}{100}$ Dollars, ($6,778.$\frac{29}{100}$.)

Eight Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-nine $\frac{58}{100}$, ($8,979.$\frac{58}{100}$.)
One Hundred and Fifty eight $\frac{12}{100}$ Dollars ($158.$\frac{12}{100}$.)
Nine Thousand One Hundred and Thirty-seven $\frac{70}{100}$ Dollars, ($9,137.$\frac{70}{100}$.)

July 22, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Charlotte to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Nine Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty-one $\frac{31}{100}$ Dollars, (\$9,551.$\frac{31}{100}$,) in Gold Coin, and Fifty-four $\frac{75}{100}$ (\$54$\frac{75}{100}$,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Nine Thousand Six Hundred and Six $\frac{06}{100}$ Dollars, (\$9,606.$\frac{06}{100}$,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Charlotte, as shown by Memorandum dated July 16th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 22, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena, to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Sixty-three Thousand Five Hundred and Eighty-eight $\frac{81}{100}$ Dollars, (\$63,588.$\frac{81}{100}$,) in Gold Coin, and Seven Hundred and Seven $\frac{32}{100}$ Dollars (\$707$\frac{32}{100}$,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Sixty-four Thousand Two Hundred and Ninety-six $\frac{13}{100}$ Dollars, (\$64,296.$\frac{13}{100}$,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office, at Helena, as shown by Memorandum dated July 16th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball, Director.

July 22, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at St. Louis to that of the U. S. Mint, at Philadelphia, of the sum of Four Thousand Three Hundred and Eight 76/100 Dollars ($4,308.76/100) in Gold Coin, and —— making a total of Four Thousand Three Hundred and Eight 76/100, ($4,308.76/100) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis, as shown by Memorandum dated July 16th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 22, 1889.

Hon. William Windom
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at St. Louis to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Eleven Thousand Three Hundred and Twenty-three 05/100 Dollars ($11,323.05/100) in Gold Coin and Two Hundred and Seventy 83/100 Dollars ($270 83/100) in Silver Coin, making a total of Eleven Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety-three 88/100 Dollars, ($11,593.88/100) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis, as shown by Memorandum dated July 16th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 22, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Charlotte be increased in the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in Charge of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 22, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

All the supplies requested in your letter of the 17th instant have been ordered through the New York Assay Office except the lead, which you can purchase.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 22nd, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find bill of the "Boisé Statesman" for advertising, amounting to $4.80, which you will pay from the contingent appropriation for your institution for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, and forward with your accounts to this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 22, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

In the matter of bonds for employees other than salaried Officers I have to say that this matter, although come to be a custom at the Assay Office at Boisé City, does not appear to be provided for by law. As the matter stands, and not wishing to make any change which might not be considered in your favor, I should advise you to follow the precedent of your predecessor, if you feel it necessary to require bonds for employees not included in the classification "officers, assistants, and clerks."

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 22, 1889

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated July 16, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia Shipment No. 45 dated June 22 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be \$6793 99/100, charges \$15.70 and net value \$6,778.29/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 22, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated July 16, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 46 dated June 29, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $\$20,523.\frac{27}{100}$, charges $\$49.\frac{04}{100}$, and net value $\$20,473.\frac{23}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 22, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated July 16, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 1 dated July 6th, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $\$9158^{84}$, charges $\$21.^{14}$, and net value $\$9137.^{70}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully, Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 22nd, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:

You are respectfully informed that letters of transmittal are required only for the following accounts and statements: Bullion accounts, Ordinary and Refinery Expense accounts: Register of Deposits; Requisition for Funds. All other Statements may be sent without letters of transmittal.

In submitting appointments and removals, you will transmit the nomination of the operative officers in the same letter in which you submit the appointments.

All statements and letters must be briefed as required by the regulations, before they leave the Mint. You will please see that these instructions are carried out.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 22, 1889.

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Offer of Peters accepted.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

30 Blank Oaths of Office.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 22, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars, (\$25,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 22, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated July 16, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 6 dated June 26, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $\$9629.\frac{73}{100}$, charges $\$23.\frac{67}{100}$, and net value $\$9,626.\frac{06}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director

July 22nd, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Your communication of the 16th instant forwarding a corrected statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, has been received at this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 22, 1889

Assayer in Charge
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated July 16, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 41 dated June 29, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $64,457.79/100, charges $161.66/100, and net value $64,296.13/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 22nd, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Sir:

Your communication of the 17th instant, enclosing two statements showing, respectively the number of gold and silver assays made at your mint, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, has been received.

I will thank you to have prepared, and forwarded a statement showing the number of melts of ingots made, and the number condemned, and any other information, connected with the workings of your Mint, during the last fiscal year which you think would be of interest in the annual report of this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 22, 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

Presuming that the contractor will have no objection and it will not be too much trouble, please have filled the following order for supplies for the U. S. Assay Office at Boisé City, Idaho, and cause the articles enumerated to be delivered to the Quartermaster U. S. Army, New York City, for transportation as public property:

1 doz. 7-lb. botts. Nitric Acid,
50 lbs. Bi-carbonate Soda,
5 galls. Wood Alcohol,
12 doz. 6 x 10 Muffles,
1 dz. (nested) Muffles,
1 doz. Melter's Mittens with gauntlets.

The bills should be in duplicate drawn against the Boisé City Assay Office and accompanied by Quartermaster's receipts.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

July 22nd 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Acknowledging the receipt of your communication of the 20th instant enclosing the bill of E. A. Hollis - amounting to $96.31, for a chest of tools for the laboratory of this Bureau, I return herewith the bill with the request that you will instruct the firm named to date it prior to June 30, 1889, as the order for these tools was made in the month of June.

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 22, 1889.

Assayer in Charge
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated July 16th, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 90, dated June 29, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $4310 14/100, charges $1.38/100, and net value $4,308.76/100. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter except as to amounts &c., here noted, to same address:

+ + + + + +

+ Shipment No. 91 + June 29 + + gross value + + $11,625.06/100, charges $31.18/100, and net value $11,593.88/100 + + +

July 22nd, 1889.

O. Warner, Jr., Esq.,
United States Assay Office,
New York, N.Y.

Sir:

-Acknowledging the receipt of your communication of the 20th instant enclosing your bill amounting to $149.60 for expenses incurred in superintending the annual settlement of the Mint at New Orleans as instructed by this Bureau, your bill is herewith returned with a blank form of traveling expense account, which you will use in the preparation of your bill.

It will be necessary for you to itemize your bill; first, showing what portion of it was incurred prior to July 1st and what portion since; and, second, the number of days for which expenses for meals and lodgings were incurred, and the amount each day.

You will understand that the regulations require that only actual expenses shall be paid, which should not exceed $5, a day for hotel expenses.

The bill for $41.40 from the St. Charles Hotel should state whether it was for room and meals or simply for room, and the number of days it covered, and if the bill at the St. Charles Hotel included meals you will be required to explain what the charge for restaurant expenses covers, and the expenses for restaurant must be in detail.

The item of "porterage and service", $3.50, should also be itemized and the dates should be given in each case for each item of expense.

While I am disposed to allow you all necessary expenses and do not call in question the accuracy of the amount expended, your bill in its present shape would not be allowed by the accounting officers of the Treasury, so that it is necessary for me to return it to you with the explanation given.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 22, 1889.

Messrs. Eimer & Amend,
205 Third Avenue,
New York City.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby authorized and requested to deliver to the Quartermaster U. S. Army, New York City, for transportation to the U. S. Mint at Carson City, Nevada, one hundred four-ounce Flasks (number 2409 on your printed price list), numbered from one to one hundred both above and below rim, with annealed tops.

Your account, in duplicate, should be transmitted to the Superintendent of the Mint at Carson City, accompanied by a receipt from the Quartermaster.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 22nd, 1889.

Erwin K. Theobald, Esq.,
56 West Court Street,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Sir:

Referring to your communication of the 17th instant addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, I send you by mail today a copy of the last fiscal report of this Bureau and of my last report on the Production of the Precious Metals in the United States.

Also a copy of the circular fixing the value of foreign coins from which you will see that the exact value of the German mark in the money of account of the United States is 25.8 cents.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 22, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Clark, Dodge & Co.
51, Wall Street,
New York.

Your offer declined.
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Fourth National Bank
New York.

Handy & Harman,
24 Nassau Street,
New York.

J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York.

July 23, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boisé City be increased in the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars

($10,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution with the Boisé City National Bank, Boisé City, Idaho.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 23, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Ten Thousand Dollars, ($10,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit at Boisé City National Bank, Boisé City.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 23, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

6	Registers of Deposit.	Form No.	188. F.
6	Calculation Blotters	" "	81.
500	Certificates of Gold Deposit	" "	4. G.
1000	Memoranda of Gold Bullion	" "	42. D.
25	Pay Rolls	" "	48.
50	Abstracts of Disbursement	" "	53. A.
50	" Petty Expenses.	" "	53. B.
50	Statements of Deposit & Purchase of G. & S. Bullion.	" "	60.
50	" Gold & silver of Domestic Production	" "	61.
50	" Bars Manufactured	" "	61½.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Two (2) Similar letters, except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
Carson, Nev.

+ + + + + + :

12 Statements of Earnings & Expenditures, Form No. 207

+ + + + + + +

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

+ + + + + +

3100 Assayer's report upon Silver Bullion, Form No. 41
500 Deliveries of Fine Gold " " 243B.

+ + + + + +

July 23rd, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:

I have approved, and referred to the accounting Officers for examination and settlement, the account of the San Francisco "Bulletin," amounting to $14.14, for advertising for proposals for supplies for your Mint.

Payment will be made from your appropriation for contingent expenses, 1889.

I enclose herewith duplicate voucher for file in your Office.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball, Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except as here noted, to:

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

+ + Charlotte "Daily Chronicle", + + $10.86, + +

July 23, 1889.

Late Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson.

Sir:

C. D. No. 66 for $100.00 being on account of unexpended balance of appropriations for salaries, 1889 inclosed in your communication of the 16th inst., has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Ordinary accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a repayment to the credit of the appropriation for "Salaries, Carson Mint, 1889".

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball

Similar letters except as here noted, to same address:

C. D. No. 67 for $54.16 + + unexpended balance of appropriation for wages + + + + as a repayment to the credit of the appropriation for "Wages of Workmen, Carson Mint, 1889."
+ + + + + +

C. D. No. 68 for $5.64 + + unexpended balance of appropriation for contingent expenses, 1889. + + + as a repayment to the credit of the appropriation for "Contingent expenses, Carson Mint, 1889"
+ + + + + + + + +

C. D. No. 69 for $1,799.41 + + unexpended balance of refinery appropriation, 1889. + + + + as a repayment to the credit of the appropriation for Parting and refining bullion, Carson Mint, 1889."
+ + + + + + + +

July 23, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

C. D. No. 7421 for $160,000.00 being on account of minor coinage profits inclosed in your communication of the 22d inst., has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous receipt" profits on minor coinage.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Two (2) Similar letters, except as here noted, to same address:

C. D. No. 7422 for $28,835.39 + + profits on silver coinage + + + + as profits on the coinage of silver dollars + + +
+ + + + +

C. D. No. 7423 for $581.26 + + subsidiary silver profits + + + profits on silver coinage + +
+ + + + + +

July 23, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Your statement of Deposits and Purchases No. 60 for the fiscal year June 30, 1889, is returned herewith for correction.

The amount of U. S. Silver coin is less 56,447.09 St. ozs. and for silver bullion (foreign) is that amount more than reported in your state-

-ments rendered monthly.

Please make the necessary corrections and return promptly.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 23rd, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the accounting officers for examination and settlement, the account of the San Francisco "Bulletin", amounting to $45.72, for advertising for proposals for supplies for your Mint.

Payment will be made from your appropriation for contingent expenses, 1889.

I enclose herewith duplicate voucher for file in your office.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 24, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Boisé City to that of the U. S. Mint, at Philadelphia of the sum of Six Thousand One Hundred and Ninety-nine $\frac{46}{100}$ Dollars, ($6,199.$\frac{46}{100}$,) in Gold Coin, and Seventy-nine $\frac{67}{100}$ Dollars ($79.$\frac{67}{100}$,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Six Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy-nine $\frac{13}{100}$ Dollars, ($6,279.$\frac{13}{100}$,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the

Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Boisé City, as shown by Memorandum dated July 19, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 24, 1889

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

U. S. Assay Office at Helena to that of

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the Sum of Twenty-eight Thousand Four Hundred and Seventy-four 95/100 Dollars, ($28,474.95) in Gold Coin, and Twelve Hundred and Thirty-seven 65/100 Dollars ($1,237.65/100) in Silver Coin, making a total of Twenty-nine Thousand Seven Hundred and Twelve 60/100 Dollars, ($29,712.60/100,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Helena, as shown by Memorandum dated July 19, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 24, 1889.

Assayer in Charge
U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated July 19, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the

United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 2 dated July 13, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be \$6,295.$\frac{45}{100}$, charges \$16.$\frac{32}{100}$, and net value \$6,279.$\frac{13}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 24, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nev.

An advance will be made you to pay unpaid bills belonging to last fiscal year.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

July 24, 1889.

Late Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Accounts, Abstracts and Vouchers, for the Quarter ending June 30th, 1889.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter addressed to:

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

July 24th, 1889.

Late Assayer, U.S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N.C.

Sir:

C.D. No. 2146 for $47.02, being on account of gains on bullion, inclosed in your communication of the 23rd inst. has been received, properly indorsed and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous receipt."

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

1 Similar letter, except as here noted, to same address:

C.D. No. 2147 for $427.23 gain on charges

Similar letter, except as here noted, addressed to:

Late Assayer, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

C.D. No. 7536 for $1708.22 gain on charges
20th instant

July 24th, 1889.

Assayer, U.S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

C.D. No. 1395 for $6.00 being on account of bullion assays inclosed in your communication of the 22nd inst. has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, no personal credit to be given you in your accounts and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous receipt."

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 24th, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

C. D. No. 1396 for $18.13, being on account of Deposit Melting Room grains, inclosed in your communication of the 22nd inst, has been received, properly indorsed and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous receipt."

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Four (4) Similar letters, except as noted to same address:

C. D. No. 1397 for $74.64 + + charges for melting, assaying and stamping + + + +

C. D. No. 1398 for $59.84 + + gain on Shipment
+ + + + + +

C. D. No. 1399 for $240.49 + + Surplus charges + +
+ + + + + + +

C. D. No. 1406 for $55.30 + + "Sweeps" + +
+ + + + +

July 24, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated July 19, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 1

dated July 13, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be \$29,797$\frac{63}{100}$, charges \$85.$\frac{03}{100}$, and net value \$29,712$\frac{60}{100}$.
For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 24th, 1889.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Sir:

The report of Messrs. George R. Cumings and O. Warner, jr. on the settlement and count at your Mint has been received at this Bureau.

The report shows that the Melter and Refiner had a surplus of 21.706 standard ounces of gold and a wastage of 2,396. standard ounces of silver, and that the Coiner had a wastage of 1.313 standard ounces of gold and 7,016.67 standard ounces of silver.

The settlement of the Melter and Refiner was very satisfactory, but the silver wastage of the Coiner was large as compared with prior years.

The gentlemen who superintended the settlement report that the large silver wastage of the Coiner was due to the great number of pieces condemned as being without the legal limit of weight, many of them having gone through the entire process of coinage.

You will please instruct the Coiner to see that measures are taken at once to avoid the recurrence of this trouble.

Respectfully yours, Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 24th 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

Your communication of the 23rd instant enclosing a list of the officers and employés of your institution for the Biennial Register has been received at this Bureau.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 24th, 1889

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Sir:

I have received the report of Mr. James W. Corsa on the settlement and count at your mint, from which it would appear that the Melter and Refiner wasted during the year 171.416 standard ounces of gold and had a surplus of 230.04 standard ounces of silver and a wastage of 14,736.59 ounces of minor coinage metal, and that the Coiner had a wastage of 16.837 standard ounces of gold and 3,651.33 standard ounces of silver.

Mr. Corsa reports that he found a surplus of $1.96 in coin in your hands over the amount with which you were charged. You will please charge yourself in your accounts with this surplus.

He also reports that he found in the possession of the medal clerk forty-two [42] Lake Superior bronze medals with which he had not been charged. You will please see that the proper entry is made in the medal accounts taking up these medals.

Mr. Corsa reports that the settlement at your

Mint was satisfactory, in which opinion I concur.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 24, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

500 Memoranda of Gold Deposits.
500 " " Silver "
500 Assayer's Memoranda of Gold Deposits.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 24th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cala.

Sir:

Your communication of the 15th instant forwarding sundry statements covering the settlement at your Mint has been received.

According to the statements rendered it would appear that the Melter and Refiner had a gold surplus of 461.276 standard ounces and a silver wastage of 161.32 standard ounces, and that the Coiner had a gold wastage of 73.942 standard ounces and a silver wastage of 137.94 standard ounces.

I would say that the result of the year's operations on bullion by the operative officers is very satisfactory.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 24th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 22nd instant enclosing a copy of a letter of June 27th relative to a disallowance recommended in the pay of H. H. Seekamp, you are respectfully informed that I have this day requested the auditor that the recommendation in regard to the disallowance be removed, and that the full amount of your expenses for the month of May be allowed.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 24, 1889.

Col. C. H. Tompkins,
Chief Quartermaster U. S. Army,
New York City.

Sir:

Please receive from Eimer & Amend, 205 Third Avenue New York City, and transport as public property to the U. S. Mint at Carson City Nevada:-

100 Four-ounce Flasks (Matrasses).

Also from (or at the instance of) the Superintendent of the U. S. Assay Office in New York City, for similar transportation to the U. S. Assay Office at Boisé City, Idaho:-

50 lbs. Bi-carbonate Soda,
5 galls. Wood Alcohol,
1 doz. 7-lb. botts. Nitric Acid,
1 doz. (nested) Muffles,
12 doz. 6 x 10 Muffles,
1 doz. Melter's Mittens with gauntlets.

These supplies are to be transported under authority of Section 1959 of the Army

Regulations of 1881.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 24, 1889.

Telegram

Baltimore Copper Smelting and Rolling Company,
Keyser Building
Baltimore, Md.

Please send by to-day's mail copy of your bid to furnish copper to Carson Mint.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

July 24th, 1889.

Messrs. Geo. R. Cummings and O. Warner, Jr.,
United States Assay Office,
New York, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

Your report on the settlement and count of the Mint at New Orleans, which you were instructed to superintend has been received with the accompanying exhibits.

Your report is satisfactory and I beg to express the thanks of the Bureau for the very correct manner in which you performed the duties entrusted to you.

Your bills for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of these duties will be paid when properly rendered to this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 24th, 1889.

James Y. Corsa, Esq.
United States Assay Office,
New York, N.Y.

Sir:

Your report on the settlement and count at the Mint at Philadelphia which was entrusted to your supervision by this Bureau, has been received, together with the exhibits showing the details of the transactions.

I thank you for the care which you took in the performance of the duties entrusted to you and for the satisfactory manner in which the duties were performed.

Enclosed herewith you will find blank form of traveling expense account on which you will render to this Bureau your bill for necessary expenses while engaged in the duties referred to.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 24, 1889.

The Orr & Hess Machine Company,
1518 Spring Garden Street,
Philadelphia.

Gentlemen:

Your letter of 23d instant, offering for $150. to sell the Mint at Philadelphia an Assay Rolling Machine exhibited at the New Orleans Cotton Centennial Exposition in 1884, has been received and referred to the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 25, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nevada.

Sir:

In confirming the within telegram I have to call your attention to what seem excessive prices, as compared with prices at San Francisco, particularly in the matter of gloves, mint muffles, ammonia, black-lead covers, dipping cups, French-clay crucibles, and litharge. All of these articles are at rates far above any possible difference as affected by actual cost of transportation from San Francisco. For this reason the original bills must be forwarded before your awards can be approved.

As the amount of copper specified seems to the Department in excess of probable requirements, I have asked the Baltimore Copper Company to modify their proposal so as to admit of the purchase of not to exceed fifteen tons.

Subjoined I give you a comparison of prices between the San Francisco awards and the awards submitted by you.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 25, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Forward detailed schedule of proposals received for supplies.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

July 25, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith find account of the "Press" for advertising for proposals for supplies that will be required for your mint during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1890, amounting to $41.60, which sum is payable from the appropriation for contingent expenses of your mint for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 25, 1889.

Mr. T. C. Mendenhall,
Superintendent U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey,
Washington.

Sir:

I write to ask if the Bureau of Weights and Measures can undertake to provide for the U. S. Mint at Carson, Nevada, two sets of gold and silver weights, gramme and half-gramme?

In case the Bureau is able to furnish them, pray transmit them to the Bureau of the Mint.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 25, 1889.

Baltimore Copper Smelting and Rolling Company,
Keyser Building, Baltimore.

Gentlemen:

Thanking you for copy of your bid for the supply of copper to the Mint at Carson, Nevada, I have to say that the amount specified seems to the Department in excess of the requirements.

I shall be obliged, therefore, if you will modify your bid so that a less quantity can be purchased from time to time, or specified not to exceed fifteen tons. A new proposal can be addressed to this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 25, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Boston & Colorado Smelting Co.,
Denver, Colo.

Your offer declined.

Jas. P. Kimball, Director.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Clark Dodge & Co.,
51 Wall Street, New York.

American Exchange National Bank,
New York.

Handy & Harman,
24 Nassau Street, New York.

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.
29, Wall Street, New York.

July 26th, 1889.

Late Assayer, U.S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N.C.

Sir:

Your communication of the 23rd instant inclosing your quarterly statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, and your annual statement of earnings and expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, has been received at this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 26, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

Your telegrams giving the balance and cost of silver bullion on hand and your local purchases have been sent on Mondays and Thursdays, while the instructions of this Bureau were to send the same at the close of business on Saturday and Wednesday of each week as they are practically of no use unless received here before one o'clock P.M. Mondays and Thursdays.

They should therefore be sent as requested.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 26, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Acknowledging receipt of your communication of the 25th instant inclosing a bill of Edward

A. Hollis for a set of tools furnished the laboratory of this Bureau, I will thank you to inform Mr. Hollis that his bill has been approved for the amount rendered ($96.21) and that in the course of ten days a draft for the amount will be mailed him.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

July 26th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Penna.

Sir:

Your annual statement of wastages and loss on sale of sweeps covering the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, has been received at this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 26, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The stock of dimes in the several sub-Treasuries is reduced to such a low state that in order to meet the demands of the public it is necessary that not less than One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.–) in coins of this denomination should be struck at your Mint as early in the month of August as practicable. You will therefore proceed to make the necessary preparations for this result.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 26, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia Pa.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

1000 Statements of Silver Bullion deliveries.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 26, 1889.

Mr. W. H. Leet,
231 Tehama Street,
San Francisco.

Sir:

Replying to yours of July 19 addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, I have to say that the Government makes no contract for nickel in advance of actual requirements, but when required it is bought upon offers made after advertisement for proposals.

In such cases the nickel is required for delivery at Philadelphia sometimes, as of late, in the form of "blanks" ready for coinage.

The quantity consumed varies from year to year.

The quantity of nickel used in the coinage of the fiscal year 1889 was approximately 38 000 pounds.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 26th, 1889.

George R. Comings, Esq.,
United States Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 24th instant, you are respectfully informed that duplicate bills for travelling expenses are not necessary.

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 27, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement the Bullion and Coin accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Assay Office at New York for the quarter ending March 31, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Circular Letter

July 27, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Forms for estimates of appropriations required for the support of your institution during the fiscal year 1891, have been mailed you to-day. You will estimate only for absolutely necessary expenses likely to be incurred during the year for which the appropriations are required. Under the head of contingent expenses you will itemize the articles and quantities of supplies that will be required. You will follow instructions printed at the head of the blank.

Forms for deficiency estimates for the current year are also mailed you, but it is not believed that any deficiency estimates will be required in the mint service.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letters addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Col.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

(over)

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Supt., U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

July 27, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nevada.

Sir:

Your letter of the 19th is understood to call for two one-gramme and two half-gramme weights. Oertling's weights cannot be supplied. The above weights will be furnished by the Bureau of Weights and Measures of the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, and sent to you without delay.

If any other construction is to be given to your letter please inform me.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 27, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

On the 22nd instant, the Superintendent of the

Mint at Philadelphia shipped you by express five (5) pairs Standard Silver Dollar Dies, and two (2) pairs Double Eagle Dies. I will thank you to promptly acknowledge receipt of the same to this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 27, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Col.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 22nd instant, your are informed that the only bid paid from the contingent expenses of your Mint for the fiscal year 1889 at the department, is a bill of the Stationery Division of the Treasury Department for stationery furnished your mint, amounting to 89.42.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 27, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of the 25th instant forwarding certain certificates of deposit covering unpaid balances of funds advanced you from appropriations, I would say, that you ought to know that it was not necessary or desirable that the unpaid balances of advances made you from the appropriation for the coinage of standard silver dollars and from the appropriation for parting and refining bullion, should be deposited in the Treasury at the close of the fiscal year, these appropriations not being annual appropriations and the advances from them being available for expenses in the current fiscal year. You will please issue the necessary instructions covering this point in the future.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 27, 1889.

Supt., Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

C. D. No. 20 for $3941.63 being on account of repayment to Silver Dollar appropriation inclosed in your communication of the 25th instant, has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Ordinary accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a repayment to the credit of the Standard Silver Dollar apptn.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Two (2) Similar letters, except as here noted, to same address.

C. D. No. 21 for $661.44 + + repayments to appropriations, 1889, + + + as follows:

$56.55 Repayment Salaries, 1889.
142.75 " Wages 1889
462.14 " Contingent. 1889.

C. D. No. 22, for $72.61 + + repayment to Parting & refining appropriation + + + as a repayment to the credit of the appropriation for "Parting & refining bullion."

July 27, 1889.

Supt. Assay Office,
New York.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Bullion and Coin accounts for the quarter ending March 31, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 27, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

I have had several applications for gold dollars, and as it is not pleasant to dishonor requisitions from desirable parties to whom the distribution could safely be intrusted, I should be glad if you would execute the whole, or at least a part, of the usual strike of about ten thousand pieces.

It is desirable that this coinage should not be delayed till the latter part of the year, in order to avoid a forced distribution.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 27, 1889.

Mr. H. D. Atwood,
Treas. Phoenix Manufacturing Company,
Taunton, Mass.

Sir:

Referring to yours of 25th instant, I may say that the proposal for your crucibles and those

for which the contract was awarded, being practically the same, the preference of the melter and refiner, which is the same as his predecessor's, decided the award, it being held that operations at the Mint at Philadelphia are too pressing and important not to abide by the choice of operative officers in the matter of crucibles.
Minute differences in bids are of no practical importance.

No further explanation of the circumstances which led to the award is considered necessary.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 27, 1889.

Mr. T. C. Mendenhall,
Supt. U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey,
Washington.

Sir:

In the matter of the weights for Carson, I used the language of the requisition, and presume that simply two one-gramme and two half-gramme weights are the ones required.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 29, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Mint at Denver, Colorado, to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Forty-eight Thousand One Hundred and

Seven $\frac{18}{100}$ Dollars, (\$48,107.$\frac{18}{100}$,) in Gold Coin, and Five Hundred and Seventy-two $\frac{37}{100}$ Dollars (\$572 $\frac{37}{100}$,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Forty-eight Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy-nine $\frac{55}{100}$ Dollars, (\$48,679.$\frac{55}{100}$,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Mint at Denver, Colo., as shown by Memorandum dated July 24, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director

July 29, 1889

Hon. William Windom
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at New Orleans be increased in the sum of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000,) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 29, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Ida.

Sir:

C. D. No. 561 for \$$17^{48}$, being on account of unexpended balances of contingent fund inclosed in your communication of the 9th inst., has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the

Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Ordinary accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury, repayment to the credit of the appropriation for wages and contingent expenses, Boisé City Assay Office, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 29, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated July 24, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 1 dated July 19, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $\$48,801.\frac{78}{100}$ charges $\$122.\frac{23}{100}$, and net value $\$48,679.\frac{55}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the Bullion Fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint, at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 29, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of One Million Dollars ($1,000,000.), and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 29, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary and Standard Silver Dollar Accounts, Abstracts and Vouchers, for the month ending June 30, 1889.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 29, 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nevada.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of July 22, in order to show you that I do not take new grounds on the subject of watchmen's pay I may refer you to my letters of April 18 and May 22, 1888, and to endorsements on papers returned June 12, 1888 -- the last endorsement being of that date.

Representations having been unofficially made by the superintendent, directly to the Secretary and even to the President, in maintenance of the high rate of wages, they have been suffered to continue, and upon grounds the same as urged by you, namely the impracticability of securing services of responsible men at less than the rate of wages paid.

While I am far from being ready to admit that the wages paid are not too high, or that it is fair to gauge them by the rate of wages paid miners in the deep mines of the Comstock Lode, I do not feel justified in holding out against your positive statement that the services of competent and responsible persons cannot be secured at the rate of wages proposed by me, namely the rate of wages paid for the same class of services at the Mint at San Francisco.

Thus placing the responsibility upon you of fixing a rate of wages for watchmen, it is my duty again to remind you that excessive wages will tell seriously against operations at Carson when a comparison is made with other Mints, and the matter of watchmen's pay, while comparatively unimportant with the present small force employed, will become more and more important as the force is increased, that is, as the storage of coin increases, and the security of storage shall require additions to the force.

I trust, therefore, that any practicable reduction from the rate which has been paid should now be made at your instance, as I assume that you, perhaps more than any other person, are concerned in the economical management of the mint under your charge.

will

I enclose herewith confirmation of a telegram on the same subject sent you this day.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 29, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nevada.

Letter of twenty second July received. Cannot rate for outside watchmen be fixed at three fifty and for inside three dollars?
Wish question decided before end of month.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

Telegram Confirmed

July 29, 1889.

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Offer of Peters accepted.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Telegram Confirmed

July 29, 1889.

Boston & Colorado Smelting Co.
Denver, Colo.

Your offer declined.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegram sent to:

Clark, Dodge & Co.
51 Wall Street,
New York.

July 29th, 1889

United States Minister,
United States Legation,
Berlin, Germany.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge, with the thanks of this Bureau, the receipt of your communication transmitting the replies of the German government to the interrogatories propounded by the Department of State relative to the coinage, production and movement of the precious metals covering the calendar year 1888.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball, Director of the Mint.

July 30, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Boisé City to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of Six Thousand Five Hundred and Sixteen $\frac{63}{100}$ Dollars, ($6,516.$\frac{63}{100}$,) in Gold Coin, and Ninety-nine $\frac{20}{100}$ Dollars ($99.$\frac{20}{100}$,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Six Thousand Six Hundred and Fifteen $\frac{83}{100}$ Dollars, ($6,615.$\frac{83}{100}$,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Assay Office at Boisé City, as shown by Memorandum dated July 26th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 30, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of Seventy-eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-six $\frac{15}{100}$ Dollars, ($78,786.$\frac{15}{100}$,) in Gold Coin, and Twelve Hundred and Thirty-nine $\frac{28}{100}$ Dollars ($1239.$\frac{28}{100}$,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Eighty Thousand and Twenty-five $\frac{43}{100}$ Dollars, ($80025.$\frac{43}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Helena, as shown by Memorandum dated July 25th, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 30, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated July 26th, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 3 dated July 20, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $\$6,632\frac{54}{100}$, charges $\$16.\frac{71}{100}$, and net value $\$6615.\frac{83}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 30, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated July 25, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 2 dated July 20, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $\$80,215.\frac{93}{100}$, charges $\$190.\frac{50}{100}$, and net value $\$80,025\frac{43}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 30, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson.

Sir:

Please forward immediately your statements of Domestic Production, Deposits and Purchases, and Bars Manufactured for the month and fiscal year ended June 30, 1889.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 30, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Do not require overtime during heated term.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

July 30, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day viz:

250 Cashiers Statements of Accounts (Form No. 185)

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

July 30, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Sir:

In order to save you any further trouble in the matter, I have ordered the articles for the Boisé Assay Office direct from Messrs. Eimer & Amend.

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 30, 1889

Messrs. Eimer & Amend,
#205 3rd Avenue,
New York.

Gentlemen:

Your offer as made through the Supt. of the U. S. Assay Office at New York to supply the following articles for the Boisé City Assay Office is accepted, viz:

84 lbs.	C. P. Nitric Acid	@ 12¢ per lb.	\$10.08
12	Bottles	@ 25c each	3.00
50 lbs.	Bicarbonate Soda	@ 3¢ per lb.	1.50
12 doz.	Muffles, 4x6x10	@ \$9.50 per dz.	114.00
1 doz.	" Nested 3y Nest G J L. *		40.80
1 doz.	pairs Melter's Mittens with quantlet		20.00
5 gals.	Wood Alcohol	@ \$1.20 per gal.	6.00
1	Can		50

You will please securely pack, properly mark and deliver the same to the Quartermaster, U. S. Army, Army Building, Corner Houston and Green Streets, who has been requested to receive and forward the same.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

* G - 11 x 4 x 3/8
J - 12 x 6 x 4
L - 15 x 9 x 6

July 30, 1889.

Col. John G. Chandler,
Deputy Quartermaster, U. S. Army,
Army Building, Cor. Houston & Green Sts.
New York.

Sir:

I have requested Messrs. Eimer & Amend to securely pack for shipment to the U. S. Assay Office at Boisé City, Idaho, the following articles, viz:

84 lbs. C. P. Nitric Acid
12 Bottles.
50 lbs. Bicarbonate Soda
12 doz. Muffles.
1 doz. " Nested.
1 doz. pairs Melters Mittens with gauntlet.
5 gals. Wood Alcohol.
1 Can.

I will thank you to receive and forward the same as provided by General Order, No. 66, dated July 26, 1876.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 30th, 1889.

O. Warner, jr. Esq.
United States Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

Your bill for expenses incurred in superintending the annual settlement and count at the Mint of the United States at New Orleans has been approved for the sum of $150.00 and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for payment. In the course of ten days a draft for the amount will probably be mailed you.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

July 31, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 26th instant transmitting the proposals for materials and labor for repairs to the assay office building and grounds and in which you recommend the acceptance of the bids of John N. Wallace and George Vass, I will state that in view of the fact that W. T. Saunders' bid being $110.— less than that of Wallace I am of the opinion that if he will give a bond to execute the work properly the contract should be awarded to him instead of Wallace.

Vass being the lowest bidder for reflooring, painting &c. the acceptance of his bid is approved.

The bids are returned herewith.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 31st, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

Your tabulated statement of Expenditures and your annual statement of earnings and expenditures and your statement of assets and liabilities at the close of business June 30, 1889, have been received at this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 31, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay, Office,
Boisé City.

Sir:

C. D. No. 575 for $\$44.^{00}$, being on account of profits on shipments inclosed in your communication of the 26th inst., has been received, properly indorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Bullion accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a "Miscellaneous receipt."

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Three (3) Similar letters, except as here noted, to same address:

C. D. No. 576 for $\$61^{33}$ + ⊥ profits on charges +

C. D. No. 557 for $\$35.^{77}$ ⊥ + sweeps ⊥ +

C. D. No. 558 for $\$159.^{19}$ + ⊥ charges for melting, assaying and stamping ⊥ ⊥ ⊥

July 31st, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Your annual statement of wastages and loss on sale of sweeps during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, has been received at this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

July 31st, 1889.

James W. Corsa, Esq.,
United States Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

Your bill for expenses incurred in superintending the annual settlement of the Mint at Philadelphia has been approved for the sum of $77.35 and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for payment.

In the course of ten days a draft for the amount will probably be mailed you.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Aug. 1st, 1889.

Hon. William Windom
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Philadelphia be increased in the sum of One Million Dollars, ($1,000,000.—,) by a transfer of that amount in 'lawful money', and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Aug. 1, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Accounts, Abstracts and Vouchers, for the quarter ending June 30, 1889.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Aug. 1st, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of One Million Dollars, ($1000000.–) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Augt. 1st, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Hardy & Harman 350,000 Ounces, at $0.9280

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 1, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have approved and return herewith contracts made by you with the Baltimore Copper Smelting and Rolling Company for copper, and with the Phoenix Manufacturing Company for Black Lead Stirrers and Dippers.

Respectfully yours.
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Aug. 1st, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Boston and Colorado Smelting Co.
Denver, Colo.

Your offer accepted for New Orleans.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Aug. 1, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Clark, Dodge & Co.,
51 Wall Street, New York.

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety-two and eight tenth cents for New Orleans.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Aug. 1, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

American Exchange Nat'l Bank,
New York.

Your offer declined.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.,
29, Wall Street,
New York.

J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York.

Aug. 1, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Your offers declined. Will accept one hundred and fifty thousand ounces for New Orleans at ninety-two and eight tenth cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball, Director.

Aug. 1, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Handy & Harman,
24 Nassau St., New York.

Your offer accepted

Jas. P. Kimball, Director

Aug. 2, 1889.

Hon. William Windom
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Mint at Denver, Colo. to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Forty-seven Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty-four $\frac{44}{100}$ Dollars, (\$47,554.$\frac{44}{100}$,) in Gold Coin, and Six Hundred and Forty-five $\frac{97}{100}$ Dollars (\$645.$\frac{97}{100}$,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Forty-eight Thousand Two Hundred and $\frac{41}{100}$ Dollars, (\$48,200.$\frac{41}{100}$,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in Charge of the United States Mint at Denver, as shown by Memorandum dated July 29, 1889, of Gold Bullion at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 2nd, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that transportation orders be furnished Mr. E. O. Leech of this Bureau on the Union Pacific Company from Denver, Colorado, to Nampa, Idaho, and from Nampa, Idaho, to Pocatello, Idaho, and from Pocatello, Idaho to Silver Bow, Montana, three in all, the same to be charged to the appropriation for contingent expenses, Office of Director of the Mint, 1890.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 2, 1889.

The Chief Clerk,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

As requested by circular of July 31, I have the honor to report in writing that it will be impossible for this Bureau to spare, during the month of August, one or more clerks for temporary assignment, the number of clerks present for duty being the smallest number practicable.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 2, 1889.

To the
Assayer in charge, U.S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper accounting Officers the bill of the "Statesman" for advertising for proposals for supplies required by your Office during the fiscal year 1890, amounting to $4.80 payable from the appropriation for contingent expenses of your Office, 1889.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter, except as here noted, addressed to:

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

"Herald" $3.50

Aug. 2, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated July 29, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 2 dated July 26, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $\$48{,}323.\frac{76}{100}$, charges $\$123\frac{35}{100}$, and net value $\$48200.\frac{41}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Aug^{t} 2^{d}, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer, at New York:

Fourth National Bank	150,000 Ounces,	at $0.9280
Clark Dodge & Co.	50,000 Ounces,	at $0.9280
Boston & Colorado Smelting Company	65,000 Ounces,	at $0.9280

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 2, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The War Department requests to be informed as to when the marksmanship medals ordered from you through this Bureau April 23, 1889, will be delivered. I will thank you to furnish the information that I may make a proper reply to the War Department.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 2, 1889.

Mr. E. O. Leech,
Bureau of the Mint.

Sir:

You are hereby instructed to make an examination of the United States Assay Offices at St. Louis, Boisé City and Helena and at the Mint at Denver.

You will ascertain whether the officer in charge of each of the institutions named has in his possession the amount of public money called for by his daily statement of balances rendered this Bureau at the close of business of the day prior to your examination.

You will also examine into the method of conducting business, the condition and needs of the several institutions, and perform such other duties as I have explained to you orally.

You will also, confer with the officers in charge of the several institutions as to the collection of the statistics of the production of the precious metals for the year 1889, with a view to beginning the work at the close of the year, and to any improvement in the procedure so as to secure the fullest and most correct returns. Please make suitable personal inquiries as to the qualifications of persons who may be recommended for assistants in the work referred to and confer with them personally if practicable. Please make an estimate of the cost of work in the collection of statistics in each division of work visited. You should impress upon all engaging in the work the importance of accuracy and thoroughness - - the greater that this work will be followed by a direct census of production during the following year.

Your necessary expenses while engaged in these duties will be paid upon your return.

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 5, 1889.

Telegram.

Superintendent, Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Confirmed.

Offer of Peters accepted
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 5, 1889.

American Exchange National Bank,
New York,

Telegram.

Confirmed.

Your offer accepted.
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Telegram.

Confirmed.

August 5, 1889.

Boston & Colorado
Smelting Company,
Denver, Col.

Your offer declined. Will accept same for New Orleans at ninety two and fifty five hundredths cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar telegram sent to
Clark, Dodge & Co.
51 Wall Street,
New York.

Telegram.

Confirmed.

August 5, 1889.

Fourth National Bank,
New York

Your offer declined. Will accept seventy-five thousand ounces at ninety-two and fifty-five hundredths cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Telegram.

Confirmed.

August 5, 1889.

Handy & Harman,
#24 Nassau St.
New York.

Your offer declined. Will accept one hundred thousand ounces at ninety-two and fifty five hundredths cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 5, 1887.

Telegram. Nesslage, Colgate & Co.
No. 29 Wall Street,
New York

Your offer declined. Will accept
Confirmed. twenty five thousand ounces at ninety two and fifty five hundredths cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 5, 1887.

Telegram. J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety two and fifty five
Confirmed. hundredths cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 5, 1887.

Mr. S. C. Wright,
Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

I return bills of W. R. Davis and S. H. Day for clerical services rendered William Garrard, late Superintendent of the mint at Carson, forwarded under date of July 30, not knowing the purpose for which they were forwarded. Assuming them to have been submitted for approval, I have to say that I know of no appropriation from which such bills can be paid, as the services rendered are such as should have been performed, by the regularly constituted clerical force of the mint.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

I have received your letter of the 27th instant submitting bids received by you for sweeps. Your acceptance of the bid of E. Williams, ($1,981.14) is approved.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

500 Requisition for supplies (Form No. 130 C)
1000 Memoranda of Silver Purchases " " 134
1000 Silver Bullion received " " 3a

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

Purchases of silver bullion have been made this day, at the department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts, respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:-

Clark, Dodge & Co. 150,000 Ounces at $0.9255

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

Letter, similar except as to parties and amounts, to
Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

American Exchange National Bank	75,000	ounces
Kesslage, Colgate & Co.	25,000	"
Fourth National Bank	75,000	"
Handy & Harman	100,000	"

August 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Your award of the contract to the Baltimore Copper Smelting and Refining Company to furnish Ingot Copper required during the current fiscal year for alloy, at the rate

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

of 11¾¢ per pound, is approved.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of $225,000.- to be deposited in the Treasury of the U. S. in your name on account of profits on the coinage of silver dollars, & that the bullion fund of your mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 5, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

It is respectfully requested that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States in the name of Daniel M. Fox, Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, Pa. the sum of Two Hundred & Twenty Five Thousand Dollars ($225,000.-) on account of profits on the coinage of silver dollars & that the bullion fund of said mint be increased, by

(over.)

a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
James P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 6, 1889.

Stuart W. Cramer,
Assayer in charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:-

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of August, 1889, has been approved for the sum of $231.70, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your office during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries	1890	$231.70
Wages of Workmen	—	—
Contingent Expenses	—	—

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Letters, similar except as noted, to

Assayer in charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver

$2,400.00

Salaries	1890	$1100.00
Wages of Workmen	1890	1100.00
Contingent Expenses	1890	200.00

(See next page)

Assayer in charge, U. S. Assay Office
Helena, Mon.

$2500.—

Salaries	1890	$800.—
Wages of Workmen	"	1300.—
Contingent Expenses	"	400.—

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York

$6,100.—

Salaries	1890	$2300.—
Wages of Workmen	"	2000.—
Contingent Expenses	"	800.—

Assayer in charge, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

$494.80

Salaries	1890	$294.80
Wages of Workmen Contingent Expenses	"	200.—

August 6, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

Purchases of silver bullion have been made this day, at the department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your mint, of the following parties, at the rates & for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive & pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Boston & Colorado Smelting Company - 60,000 ounces at $0.9255.

Respectfully yours, Jas. P. Kimball, Director of the Mint.

August 6, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York,

Sir:-

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $5000.- to meet the expenses of the refinery in connection with your institution during the present month, payable from the appropriation for parting and refining bullion.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 6, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

500 Mem. of Gold Bullion Deposits (Form No. 42 E.)

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 6, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Requisition was made on the 25th ultimo for the blanks referred to in your letter of yesterday. Taking its natural course it cannot be filled in less than one month, perhaps longer.

Under the circumstances, however, I will ask to have it made special which may enable them to be forwarded in a week or ten days.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 6, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary, Refinery + Standard Silver Dollar Coinage + Storage Accounts with abstracts & vouchers for the month ended July 31, 1889.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 6, 1889.

Assayer in charge U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:-

Deposit Memorandum, dated August 2, 1889, of gold bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, shipment No. 92, dated July 30, 1889, has been received & examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $\$15,118^{54}$, charges $\$37.^{47}$ & net value $\$15,081.^{07}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your institution to that of the United States at Philadelphia. Very respectfully, Jas. P. Kimball, Director.

August 6, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at St. Louis, Mo. to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, Pa. of the sum of Fourteen Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Six 46/100 Dollars ($14,796.46) in gold coin, and Two Hundred and Eighty-Four 64/100 Dollars ($284.64), in silver coin, making a total of Fifteen Thousand and Eighty One 7/100 Dollars ($15,081.07) being the net value of bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis, Mo., as shown by memorandum dated August 2, 1889, of gold bullion deposited at said mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 7, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:-

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $10,000.- to meet the expenses of the Refinery in connection with your institution during the present month, payable from the appropriation for "Parting and refining bullion".

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 7, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:-

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution for the month of August, 1889, has been approved for the sum of $27,000.- payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries	1890	$4,000.-
Wages of Workmen	1890	18,000.-
Contingent Expenses	1890	5,000

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 7, 1889.

Mr. T. C. Mendenhall,
Supt. U. S. Coast & Geodetic Survey,
Washington,

Sir:-

I have this day received from the Bureau of Weights & Measures & forwarded to the U. S. Mint at Carson, Nevada, two one-gram & two half-gram weights.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 7, 1889.

Messrs. R. Longman's Sons,
#8 John Street,
New York,

Gentlemen:-

Your letter of July 31, has been received.

As the assays performed by the Assay Office at New York are limited to assays of bullion, it is considered that the charge of two dollars is sufficient, and is, I believe, the rate usually charged by private assayers.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 7, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I will thank you to inform me when the 9 silver Life Saving Medals requested on the 6th ultimo will probably be forwarded in order that I may answer an inquiry from the Life Saving Service in regard to the same.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 7, 1889.

Hon. Wm. Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

It is respectfully requested that you will cause the bullion fund of the U. S. Mint at Carson, Nev. to be increased Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000.) by a transfer of that amount in gold coin and that the Assistant Treasurer of the U. S. at San Francisco be instructed by telegraph to place $100,000. of this sum to the credit of the Superintendent of said mint and to ship the balance $100,000. to him by express.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 7, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause your bullion fund to be increased by a transfer of $200,000. in gold coin and that the Assistant Treasurer of the U. S. at San Francisco be instructed to place $100,000. of this amount to your credit and to ship the balance $100,000 by express to you.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 7, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

By registered mail, to-day, there have been sent you for official use in the mint, two one-gram and two half-gram weights, requested in your letter of 19th ultimo.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

Copy

Weights for U. S. Mint
at
Carson, Nevada

mg.
Gram G′ = 1 Gram + 0.05
" G″ = 1 + 0.04
½ G′ = 0.5 + 0.02
½ G″ = 0.5 − 0.03

Bar = 775^{mm} Ther. 24°. 7 C.

August 1889.

O. H. Tittmann
Assistant in charge,
Weights & Measures Div^{n}

August 7, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

Referring to the awards of contracts for supplies required by your mint during the current fiscal year submitted in your letter of the 15th ultimo for approval of this Bureau, you are informed that before approving the same it is necessary that a detailed statement of your reasons for some of the awards should be furnished.

I find that you have awarded the contract for crucibles, covers and cups to Justinian Caire of San Francisco while the bid of John Taylor & Co., with the exception of covers and No. 6 crucibles is lower than that of Caire and the bid of the Phoenix Manufacturing Company for all kinds of crucibles and covers is lower than the bid of either Caire or Taylor. As it is understood that the price asked by the Phoenix Mnfg Co. is for the delivery of the crucibles &c. at your mint, I am of the opinion that the bid should be accepted, the Co. being willing to give a bond for the satisfactory performance of the contract.

I find that there is a great difference in the price asked by bidders for buck gloves, the contract for which you have awarded to A. Bergman at $18.–, $16.50, $15.50, $15.–, $13.50, and $12.–. The bids of C. P.

Bailey and A. Cohn appear to be lower than that of Bergman. The contract for the same quality of gloves should be awarded to the lowest bidder, and I must, before approving the award to Bergman, ask an explanation of the same.

You award the contract for argol to John Taylor & Co. at 12½¢, while the bid of N. H. Chedic is 10¢ per pound. Oxalic acid you award to Justinian Caire at 65¢ per pound while it appears that N. H. Chedic offers the same at 20¢ per pound.

James W. Queen & Co. offer to supply test tubes at 1¼¢ and 3¢ each, while you award the contract for the same sizes to Justinian Caire at 30¢ and 65¢ per dozen. Queen & Co. offer parting flasks at 11¢ each, while you award the contract for the same to John Taylor at $2.25 per dozen.

An early explanation of your reasons for making the awards in the cases above cited is requested.

In case of any awards to other than the lowest bidder, you will be expected to send the original bids. Your attention is particularly called to the letter of this Bureau under date of July 26, 1888, stating that hereafter contracts for approved crucibles must be awarded to the lowest bidder.

Whenever awards are made for good and sufficient reasons to bidders other than the lowest, it seldom happens that appeals are not made to the department.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 7, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

As you will see by the enclosed protest of Congressman Bergen, addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, your division of the award of charcoal between John R. Rovand and H. H. Gardy is objected to on the grounds that the advertisement called for simply charcoal in general, and upon the grounds that when subdivided into grades the lowest bidder for all other grades than pine was entitled to the award when offering pine at the same price as another bidder to whom the award was made.

Your award was approved on the assumption that you had good reasons for discrimination against Rovand in the matter of a supply of pine charcoal. I now desire that if this assumption is correct the reasons be stated.

I also desire to be informed whether Gardy has given bond for the supply of pine charcoal. Though I know of no explicit rule in such matters, it has been the custom at the Assay Office in New York to divide between separate bidders awards at the same price, where no reason exists for discrimination, as to quality of material furnished.

If no grounds exist in the present case beyond consideration to a former successful bidder, it would be well if some relief could be found for Mr. Rowand, to whom it would seem fair to award the whole contract under the circumstances recited.

If it seem too late to take any other course it might, in the absence of grounds against Rowand's bid, be satisfactory to Messrs. Gardy & Rowand to divide the fine charcoal contract between them.

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 8, 1889.

Superintendent, Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Telegram.

Confirmed.

Peters' offer of Fourteen Thousand ounces at ninety-two and one fourth cents per ounce fine accepted.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

August 8, 1889.

Fourth National Bank,
New York.

Telegram.

Confirmed.

Your offers for Philadelphia and New Orleans accepted.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

August 8, 1889.

Boston & Colorado
Smelting Company,
Denver, Col.

Telegram.

Confirmed.

Your offer declined. Will accept same for New Orleans at ninety-two and one half cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

Similar telegram sent to
Clark, Dodge & Co.
#51 Wall Street,
New York.

August 8, 1889.

American Exchange
National Bank,
New York.

Telegram.

Confirmed.

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety-two and one half cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

Similar telegrams sent to
Handy & Harman,
#24 Nassau Street,
New York.

J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York.

August 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your ordinary expense accounts, with abstract and vouchers for the month ended June 30, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of $1000.00 to be advanced you to meet the expenses of the refinery in connection with your institution during the present month, payable from the appropriation for "Parting and refining bullion."

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Similar letter addressed to

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

August 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of August, 1889, has been approved for the sum of $9,000, payable from the following appropriations, made for the support of your mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries	1890	$2500.–
Wages of Workmen	1890	5,000.–
Contingent Expenses	1890	1,500.–

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Letters, similar except as to amounts, to

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

$18,700.–

Salaries	1890	$2,700
Wages of Workmen	1890	12,000
Contingent Expenses	1890	4,000

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

$40,500.–

Salaries	1890	$4,500–
Wages of Workmen	1890	28,000–
Contingent Expenses	1890	8,000.–

August 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Purchases of silver bullion have been made this day, at the department, by the Secretary of the Treasury for delivery at your mint, of the following parties, at the rates & for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive & pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Fourth National Bank	50,000 ounces,	at $0.925-
Handy & Harman	60,000 "	.925-

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

Letter, similar except as to amounts, to
Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Fourth National Bank - 150,000 ounces

August 8, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I have this day requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $13,000.- from the appropriation for the coinage of standard silver dollars to meet in part, the expenses of your mint on account of that coinage during the current month.

month.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 8, 1889.

Assayer in charge
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 30th ultimo in reference to the sum of $4.95 due to Albert Jameson, deceased, as janitor at your office for three days in May last, you are informed that inasmuch as it is necessary that an administrator should be appointed, it is unnecessary for you to hold your ordinary accounts until that is done.

You will therefore deposit the balance in your hands belonging to the appropriations for 1889, transmitting certificates of deposit to this Bureau with your accounts.

When the administrator of the estate of Jameson is appointed he can make claim upon the government for the amount due, and upon his furnishing a certified copy of letter of administration from the proper court of record, an account will be stated in his favor and the amount paid him by Treasury draft.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 9, 1889.

Mr. J. L. Easterling
Georgetown, S. C.

Sir:-

Your letter of August 7, addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury & accompanied by "a small bar of melted silver together with some old pieces of spoons, also of silver," has been received & forwarded by registered to the Supt. of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, to whom it should have been sent direct, and who will send you the value of the silver.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 9, 1889.

Mr. Charles Fargo,
American Express Company,
Chicago, Ill.

Sir:-

Referring to yours of 3rd instant, addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, I have to say as such matters outside of regular contracts with the Treasury Department, for transportation of bullion between mints & assay offices, are matters of agreement with this Bureau, that the requirement which you undertake to meet is for the transportation of bullion from the Assay Office at Helena to the Mint at Philadelphia, not to the city of New York. +

× An offer to meet this requirement until further notice may be addressed to this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball, Director of the Mint.

August 9, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of lists of officers and employés of your mint, on the 1st day of July, last, for use in preparing the Biennial Register.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 9, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I have your letter of the 8th instant advising of shipments by express of nine (9) Silver Life Saving Medals together with your accounts for same, amounting to $92.10. The medals have been received and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, and in due course of business a draft for the amount will be mailed you.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 9, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary, Refinery & Standard Silver Dollar Coinage & Storage accounts for the month ended June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 9, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

Purchases of silver bullion have been made this day, at the department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York;

Boston & Colorado
Smelting Company - 55,000 ounces at $0.925-

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 9, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York,

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your ordinary and refinery expense accounts, with abstracts and vouchers for the month ended July 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 9, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

I have this day requested that the bullion fund of your mint be increased in the sum of $3000.– by a transfer of that amount, and that the same be transmitted you in silver coin, as follows, viz:

In half dollars	$1,000.–
〃 quarter dollars	1,000.–
〃 dimes	1,000.–

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 9, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department,

Sir:-

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the ordinary, refinery + standard silver dollar coinage + storage accounts of the Supt of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, Pa. for the month ended June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 9, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

I have the honor to transmit herewith nine (9) silver life saving medals struck in compliance with your request of the 5th ultimo.

I also enclose the account of the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia for the medals, attachments, mountings, cases and express charges, amounting in the aggregate to $92.10, for which sum I will thank you to cause a draft to be transmitted him under cover to this Bureau as early as practicable.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 9, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

I have the honor to submit herewith a list of officers and employés connected with the Bureau of the Mint, together with lists of officers and employés of the mints and assay offices.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 9, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Mint, Denver, Col.

Sir:-

Deposit Memorandum, dated August 5, 1889, of gold bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 3, dated July 31, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $23,144.99, charges $59.78 and net value $23,085.21.

For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

Letter, similar except as noted, to

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

+ + + + + August 6, 1889, + + + + +
Shipment No. 7, + + + + + $15,198.98
+ + + + + + $36.55 + + + + + +
$15,162.43 + + + + + + + + + + +
+ + + + + + + + + + + + + +

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

August 9, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Charlotte, N. C. to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of Fifteen Thousand Eighty Seven and $\frac{25}{100}$ Dollars ($15,087 ^{25}) in gold coin and Seventy Five $\frac{18}{100}$ Dollars ($75 ^{18}) in silver coin, making a total of Fifteen Thousand One Hundred and Sixty Two $\frac{43}{100}$ ($15,162 $\frac{43}{100}$) being the net value of bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Charlotte, N. C. as shown by Memorandum dated August 6, 1889, of gold bullion deposited at said mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Letter to same address, with exceptions as noted.

+ + + + + + + + + + + + + + +
Mint at Denver, Col. + + + + + +
+ + + + + + + + + + $22,832.^{81}
+ + + + + $252.^{40} + + + + + +
$23,085.^{21} + + + + + + + Denver, Col.
+ + + + + August 5, 1889 + + + + +
+ + + + + + + + + + + + + +

August 9, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

It is respectfully requested that you will cause the bullion fund of the U. S. Mint at Carson, Nev. to be increased in the sum of Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000.-) by a transfer of that amount and that the same be transmitted the Superintendent in silver coin as follows, viz:

In half dollars	$1,000.-
" quarter dollars	1,000.-
" dimes	1,000.-

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 9, 1889.

Telegram.

Superintendent, Mint.
San Francisco, Cal.

Confirmed.

Purchase crude silver at ninety two cents per ounce fine as may be offered, not exceeding one hundred thousand ounces.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

August 9, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:-

In confirming the telegram of

even date, allow me to refer you to my letters of the following dates, and particularly to the last on the list:

February 21, 1888
March 23, 1888
January 25, 1889
February 9, 1889.

As long as there continues to be no requirement for silver dollars in San Francisco, and as there is so large a stock of trade-dollar bullion on hand at New York and Philadelphia, it would not seem expedient to purchase silver at your institution merely for the benefit of the Melter and Refiner's account, as the law liberally provides for all technical losses on his part. I trust you will see, and also the melter and refiner, that the creation of a surplus in the latter's settlements, however agreeable to this officer, is not laudable, or a legitimate object on the part of either superintendent or director — notwithstanding specious arguments on the personal side of the question.

This is a matter which has occasioned no little contention in times past, as you will see by previous correspondence.

I do not feel, however, that it is my duty to withhold my authority at this time for the purchase over the counter of a limited amount of doré silver for the economy of the refinery — in opening a new set of accounts. But the "economy" is very questionable, and the act hardly justifiable upon any other ground than fairness and even indulgence to new officers. What can be done with fine silver resulting from such purchases, except to increase the volume to be used for granulating, is a question necessarily put off for the future.

The rate of ninety-two (92) cents specified in my telegram is the present rate paid over the counter for local purchases at the several institutions.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 10, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I transmit herewith copy, report Assayer U. S. Assay Office, N.Y. upon assay coins taken from the first and two subsequent deliveries in each week at your mint during the month of June 1889, and forwarded for test as prescribed by the Regulations.

The coins were found to be within the legal limits of tolerance.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

Similar letters addressed to

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco,
Cal.

August 10, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:-

C/D. No. 9 for $542 36/100 being on account of sweeps, inclosed in your communication of the 2d inst. has been received, properly endorsed and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your bullion accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a miscellaneous receipt.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Letters, similar with exceptions as noted, to
Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

C/D, No. 36 for $1403.48 + + + + + + + gain on bullion shipped U. S. Mint, Phila. + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +

C/D. No. 289 for $27.10 + + + + + + sales of old material + + + + no personal credit + + + + + accounts + + + + + + +

C/D. No. 290 for $10.— + + + + + + + bullion assays + + + + + + + + + no personal credit + + + + + accounts + + + + + + +

C/D, No. 291 for $295.91 + + + + melting, assaying and stamping +

(See page 106)

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

C/D. No. 293 for $514.85 sweeps sold

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

C/D. No. 7436 for $27,000 unexpended balance of appropriations for contingent expenses of your mint 6th inst. ordinary accounts as a repayment to the credit of the above appropriation.

C/D. No. 7437 for $77.35 unexpended balance of appropriations for wages of workmen at your mint 6th instant ordinary accounts as a repayment to the credit of the above appropriation.

C/D. No. 7438 for $115.49 unexpended balance of appropriations for salaries of your mint 6th instant ordinary accounts as a repayment to the credit of the above appropriations.

August 10, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

12 Assayer's record books
12 Assay books

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 10, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your ordinary expense account with abstracts and vouchers for the month ended July 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 10, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:-

Before the requisition can be made upon the Public Printer for the blanks requested in your letter of the 13th ult. it will be necessary for you to forward samples of each. Please attend to this immediately as much time has already been lost.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 10, 1889.

Assayer in charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon:

Sir:-

Deposit Memorandum, dated Aug. 7, 1889, of gold bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, shipment No. 3, dated July 31, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $22,288.72, charges $54.01 and net value $22,234.71. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 10, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena, Mon. to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Twenty Two Thousand, Seventeen, 50/100 Dollars ($22,017.50) in gold coin, and Two Hundred Seventeen 21/100 Dollars ($217.21) in silver coin, making a total of Twenty

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

Two Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Four 71/100 Dollars ($22,234 71/100) being the net value of bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Helena, Mon., as shown by memorandum, dated August 7, 1889, of gold bullion deposited at said mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 12, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:-

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

400 Daily Statements (Form No. 250)
25 Accounts Current " " 54
4 Calculation Blotters " " 87

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 12, 1889.

Telegram.

Handy & Harman,
#24 Nassau Street,
New York.

Your offer accepted.

Confirmed.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

August 12, 1889.

Telegram.

American Exchange
National Bank,
New York

Confirmed.

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety two and three fourths cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

August 12, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:-

I have requested that the bullion fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 12, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Purchases of silver bullion have been made this day, at the department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the

Assistant Treasurer at New York:
Handy & Harman — 100,000 ounces at $0.9275.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 12, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I have expected before now to see a report of coinage of gold dollars.

As there are a number of deferred applications, and as it is desirable not to defer the distribution until the last of the year, I trust this coinage will be executed at once, according to my letter of 27th ultimo.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 12, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:-

The official bond of Lyman H. Clement as Chief Clerk of your mint has been approved by the Secretary of the Treasury and has this day been referred to the office of the First Comptroller for file.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Israel Lawton, Esq. August 12, 1889.
Late Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:-

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the department for examination and settlement, your ordinary, refinery, S. S. Doll + Statistical accounts for the month ended June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Israel Lawton, Esq. August 12, 1889.
Late Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your ordinary, refinery, standard silver dollar + statistical accounts, with abstracts and vouchers for the month ended July 21, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 12, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho,

Sir:-

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the month of August, 1889, has been approved for the sum of $1,279.60

payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your office during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries	1890	$269.60
Wages of Workmen	1890	660.00
Contingent Expenses	1890	350.00
Repairs of buildings & grounds		

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 12, 1889.

Assayer in Charge
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho,

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your ordinary expense account with abstracts and vouchers for the month ended July 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 12, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho,

Sir:-

Deposit Memorandum, dated August 7, 1889, of gold bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, shipment No. 4, dated July 31, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $16,446.69, charges $42.95, and net value $16,403.74.

For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 12, 1889.

Hon. Wm. Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

It is respectfully requested that the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena, Mon. be increased in the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 12, 1889.

Hon. Wm. Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Boisé City to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Sixteen Thousand Two Hundred and Nineteen 54/100 Dollars

Dollars ($16,219.54) in gold coin and one hundred and eighty four 20/100 Dollars ($184.20) in silver coin, making a total of sixteen thousand four hundred and three 74/100 Dollars ($16,403.74) being the net value of bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Boisé City, as shown by memorandum dated August 7, 1889, of gold bullion deposited at said mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 12, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department,

Sir:-

I transmit herewith for examination and settlement, the ordinary, refinery, S. S. Dollar & statistical accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at San Francisco for the month ended June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 12, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:-

The award for supplies required

by your office during the current fiscal year is approved as follows:

Burwell & Dunn

15 lbs Ammonia	@ 14¢ per lb
3 bots.	@ 25¢ each
15 lbs. Nitric Acid C.P.	@ 18¢ per lb.
3 bots.	@ 25¢ each
1 Carboy contg }	@ $1.50
(175 lbs. Nitric Acid)	@ 8¢ per lb.
600 lbs. Refined Borax	@ 11¢ " "
100 lbs. Nitre	@ 7½¢ " "
15 lbs. Muriatic Acid, coml	@ 10¢ " "
3 bots.	@ 25¢ each
100 lbs. Litharge	@ 8½¢ per lb.
24 Black Lead Crucibles, 5 in. dia. 6 in. high	@ $6.20 " doz.
48 " " Covers to fit	@ 3.18¾ " "
400 2½ o/o Scorifiers	@ 2.10 " 100
400 2 " "	@ 1.80 " "

Anthony & Bryce

7 Tons Anthracite Coal }	@ $8.75 per ton
(2 " Chestnut	
5 " Egg)	

E. K. P. Osborne

35 Cords, Wood }	@ $2.10 per cord
(25 " hard wood	
10 " Forest pine)	

Jno. Hudson

2000 bushels, Charcoal	@ $5.95 per load

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball.
Director of the Mint.

P. S. Bids are returned herewith.

August 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

I am informed by the melter and refiner that he has been notified that you have extended leave of absence of W. G. S. Carver, employed in his department, thirty days, on recommendation of physician, and that said leave will not be computed against his allowance of twenty-one days.

You are hereby informed that no authority can be found for such action on your part.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

I am not surprised that the condition of your sewer pipes, as explained in yours of August 9, has aroused the opposition of the Board of Health; such defecting sewerage should be remedied as speedily as possible.

Of the two plans which you mention it seems to me that the only thorough one is to connect the waste pipes with the river discharge; and you are requested to forward an estimate at once of the cost of the work upon that plan, taking what steps are necessary to secure the consent of the City Council, conditional to the execution of the work either by yourself direct or through the Office of the Supervising Architech.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 13, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

Replying to the inquiry of the Honorable H. G. Edwardes, of the Legation of Great Britain, addressed to the Secretary of State, referred to this Bureau, I have the honor to state that no bureaus of guaranty, or departments of the government for the verification and stamping of articles of gold and silver, exist; nor is there any practice in the United States corresponding to that of English hall-marking, compulsory or otherwise, or with reference to goods intended for exportation or for domestic trade.

This statement is believed to answer the first four inquiries.

With reference to the fifth inquiry, it may be said that, so far as this Bureau is informed, no laws exist governing the exposure for sale of foreign manufactured gold and silver wares or goods.

It is suggested with reference

to the sixth question, namely, What customs or other duties are payable upon imported wares, that it be referred to the Customs Division of this department.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 13, 1889.

Superintendent, Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Telegram.

Confirmed.

Treasurer telegraphed Assistant Treasurer, San Francisco, eighth instant to place one hundred thousand dollars in gold coin to your credit and to ship by express one hundred thousand dollars.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

August 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your ordinary and refinery expense accounts, with abstracts and vouchers for the month ended July 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 13, 1889.

Assayer in charge U. S. Mint,
Denver, Col.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your ordinary expense account with abstracts and vouchers for the month ended July 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

You will please cause to be prepared and forwarded to the Mint at San Francisco as early as practicable, five (5) obverse double eagle dies.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

I will thank you to cause samples of the blank forms requested in your letter of the 18th ult. to be forwarded at the earliest practicable moment.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $116.98, to meet the expenses of the refinery in connection with your institution during the present month, payable from the appropriation for "parting and refining bullion".

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States in your name, the sum of $158,000.- on account of profits on the coinage of silver dollars and that the bullion fund of your mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 13, 1889.

Hon. Wm. Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

It is respectfully requested that

you, will cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States in the name of Gabriel Montegut, Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at New Orleans, the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Eight Thousand Dollars ($158,000.) on account of profits on the coinage of standard silver dollars and that the bullion fund of said mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 13, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho,

Sir:-

I have received your letter of the 5th instant in reply to mine of the 31st ultimo in regard to the bids of J. N. Wallace and W. T. Saunders for repairs to the Assay Office building.

From the information contained in your letter which was not embraced in your previous letter awarding the contract to Mr. Wallace, I have decided to approve the award made by you to him. You are therefore authorized to enter into contract with Mr. Wallace for the work.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint

August 13, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:-

I desire to call your attention to the number of newspapers (thirty seven: see Abstract of Petty Expenses, Statistical Account, June 1889) taken at your mint and paid for from the appropriation for contingent expenses of the Office of the Director of the Mint.

This long list has been continued since the time when newspaper excerpts were largely used in the preparation of reports on statistics of production of precious metals. As this practice has been discontinued, I think that you will agree with me that there is no requirement for any such number of papers, and that you will find it easy to reduce it, if not entirely do away with it. Please take action accordingly.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 14, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

4 Registers of Deposits.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 14, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York,

Sir:-

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

50. Accounts current (Form No. 54)

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 14, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

500 (Forms No. 247 A.) Assay coins, reserved
2500 Remittance receipts.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 14, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $2000.- to meet the expenses of the refinery in connection with your institution during the present month, payable from the appropriation for "parting and refining

Trillion".

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 14, 1889.

Assayer in charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your ordinary expense account, with abstracts and vouchers, for the month ended July 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 14, 1889.

Assayer in charge U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your ordinary expense account with abstracts and vouchers for the month ended June 30, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 14, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

In your requisitions for working books for the coining and assay departments, too much was left to the understanding and discretion of this Bureau. You will please hereafter be explicit in all matters of this kind.

I enclose department Circulars of May 9, 1885 and January 11, 1887, the requirements of which should be fulfilled in the first instance.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 14, 1889.

Messrs. E. P. Reichhelm & Co.
#80 Nassau Street,
New York City,

Sir:-

From yours of July 26 I expected Mr. Reichhelm here last week and remained in town that I might not fail to be here at the time of his arrival. Please let me know positively what day he will be here, and if the notice is short pray telegraph, as I shall have to give a day's notice in order to have the services of a gas-fitter.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 15, 1889.

Telegram.

Confirmed.

American Exchange
National Bank,
New York.

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety two and sixty five hundredths cents per ounce fine. Jas. P. Kimball, Director, Mint.

August 15, 1889.

Telegram.

Fourth National Bank,
New York,

Your offer accepted

Confirmed.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

Similar telegram sent to
Handy & Harman,
#24 Nassau Street,
New York.

August 15, 1887.

Telegram.

Boston & Colorado
Smelting Company,
Denver, Col.

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety two & sixty five hundredths cents per ounce fine, for New Orleans.

Confirmed.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

August 15, 1889.

Telegram.

Superintendent, Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Report by wire at close of business seventeenth instant, cost of silver purchased under authorization of ninth instant.

Confirmed.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

Telegram.

August 15, 1889.

Superintendent, Mint,
New Orleans,

Coin all you can with ease.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

Confirmed.

August 15, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

Purchases of silver bullion have been made this day, at the department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Fourth National Bank, - 150,000 ounces at $0.925

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

Letter similar, except as noted, to
Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Handy & Harman — 175,000 ounces at $0.9265

August 15, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Your mint will be expected to coin during the current month, not

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

August 15, 1889.

Fourth National Bank,
Telegram. New York.

Your offer accepted.
Confirmed. Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

Similar telegram sent to
Handy & Harman,
#24 Nassau Street,
New York.

August 15, 1887.

Boston & Colorado
Telegram. Smelting Company,
Denver, Col.

Your offer declined. Will accept
Confirmed. same at ninety two & sixty five hundredths cents per ounce fine, for New Orleans.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

August 15, 1889.

Superintendent, Mint,
Telegram. San Francisco, Cal.

Report by wire at close of business seventeenth instant, cost of silver pur-
Confirmed. chased under authorization of ninth instant.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

August 15, 1889.

Telegram.

Superintendent, Mint,
New Orleans,

Coin all you can with ease.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

Confirmed.

August 15, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

Purchases of silver bullion have been made this day, at the department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Fourth National Bank, 150,000 ounces at $0.925

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

Letter similar, except as noted, to

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Handy & Harman — 175,000 ounces at $0.9265

August 15, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Your mint will be expected to coin during the current month, not less than one million nine hundred thousand (1,900,000) standard silver dollars.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 15, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I inclose herewith medal fund vouchers signed in duplicate for nine (9) silver life saving medals forwarded by you to this Bureau on the 8th instant.

I also inclose check of George A. Bartlett, disbursing clerk, on the Assistant Treasurer at New York for $92.10 in payment of the medals, cases &c.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 15, 1889.

Assayer in charge
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:-

Referring to Certificate of Deposit made by you on June 29, of $27.10 on account of sale of old material for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, I have to request that you will forward a detailed statement of the material sold.

(From page 130)

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball.
Director of the Mint.

August 15, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:-

I return herewith duplicate certificate of deposit, No. 2161 (which should be retained by you) for $4,031.78, being balance to your credit on account of the bullion fund with the Commercial National Bank at Charlotte.

On inquiry of the Treasurer of the United States I find that on August 1st the Assistant Treasurer at New York issued a certificate of deposit for $14,837.74, in favor of the Treasurer, the same being the balance to your credit on account of the bullion fund.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 15, 1889.

Assayer in charge
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:-

I have requested that the bullion fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars, ($25,000.-) and that the [illegible] to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States, at St. Louis, Mo.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 15, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion fund of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis, Mo. be increased in the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars, ($25,000.) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money & that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at St. Louis, Mo.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 16, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

1,000 Assayer's report upon Silver Bullion (Form No. 41)

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 16, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:-

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you, this day, viz:

25 Form No. 1779 Certificate of Authority.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 16, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho,

Sir:-

I have requested that the bullion fund of your institution be increased by a transfer of Fifty Thousand dollars ($50,000.00) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 16, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:-

I am informed by the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia of the shipment to you on the 15th instant, of five (5) double eagle obverse dies, Nos. 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21.

you to acknowledge receipt of the same to this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 16, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

Purchases of silver bullion have been made this day, at the department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Boston & Colorado
Smelting Company, 125,000 ounces, at $0.9265

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 16, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

It is respectfully requested that the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Boisé City, Idaho, be increased in the sum of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000.00) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 16, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

C/D, No. 7444 for $61,494.98, being on account of minor coinage profits inclosed in your communication of the 15th inst. has been received, properly endorsed and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your bullion accounts and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as profits on minor coinage.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 16, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

I have to-day approved and referred to the proper accounting officers of the department for examination and settlement, two bills of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia for the manufacture of 10 pairs of standard dollar and 5 pairs of double eagle dies for the use of your mint, amounting to $383.70 and payable as follows:

From the appropriation for the coinage of the standard dollar

On account of wages of workmen		$245.60
" "	Contingent Expenses	10.20

The remainder from appropriation of your mint as follows:

Wages of Workmen	1889	$73.68
Contingent Expenses	1889	3.06
Wages of Workmen	1890	49.12
Contingent Expenses	1890	2.04

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 16, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I have to-day approved & referred to the proper accounting officers of the department for examination & settlement, two bills of your mint for the manufacture of 10 pairs of standard dollar, and 5 pairs of double eagle dies for the use of the U. S. Mint at Carson, amounting to $383.70, which will be covered by transfer warrant to the credit of the following appropriations of your mint:

Wages of Workmen	1889	$196.48
Contingent Expenses	1889	8.16
Wages of Workmen	1890	171.92
Contingent Expenses	1890	7.14

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 16, 1889.

Assayer in charge
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:-

The note books requested in your letter of the 13th ultimo cannot be supplied you from here. You are therefore authorized to purchase such quantity as may be necessary to serve your purpose.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 17, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department,

Sir:-

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Ordinary and Refinery Expense Accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Carson, Nev. for the month ended June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 17, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:-

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the department, for examination and settlement, your ordinary + refinery expense accounts for the month ended June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 17, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

Herewith returned please find account current pertaining to your supplemental ordinary account for the month of June 1889. The account current should show proceeds of warrant as well as disbursements. An advance was made you the 24th ultimo for the purpose. Please take up same and return the account current without delay, as it is desirable that the accounts of the last fiscal year be closed as soon as practicable.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 17, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your ordinary expense account, with abstracts and vouchers for the month ended July 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball, Director.

Israel Lawton, Esq.
late, Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

August 17, 1889.

Sir:-

C/D, No. 128 for $3200.64, being on account of unexpended balanances of your regular appropriation for 1890, enclosed in your communication of the 31st ultimo, has been received, properly endorsed & forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your ordinary accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a repayment to the credit of the appropriations as follows:

Salaries	$537.60
Wages of Workmen	299.
Contingent Expenses	2364.04

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Letter to same address,
similar, with exceptions as noted below,

C/D, No. 127 for $9351.61 + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + unexpended balance of appropriation for Parting & Refining Bullion, + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + Refinery Accounts, + + + + + + + + + + + + + + as a repayment to the credit of the above appropriation.

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

August 17, 1889.

W. P. Blake, Esq.,
Mill Rock,
New Haven, Conn.

Sir:-

Herewith I send you copy of a report by the coiner of the Mint at Philadelphia upon experiments with the "new nickel-copper alloy" accompanying your letter of June 9.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 19, 1889.

Telegram.

American Exchange
National Bank,
New York,

Confirmed.

Your offer declined.
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

Similar telegrams sent to

Handy & Harman,
#24 Nassau Street,
New York.

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.
#29 Wall Street,
New York,

J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York.

August 19, 1889.

Clark, Dodge & Co.
51 Wall Street,
New York

Telegram.

Your offer declined. Will accept same for New Orleans at ninety two and sixty five hundredths cents per ounce fine.

Confirmed.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

August 19, 1889.

Superintendent, Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Telegram.

Advance purchasing rate of silver to ninety-two and one fourth cents per ounce fine.

Confirmed.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

Similar telegrams sent to

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

August 19, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Until further notice the purchasing rate of silver in lots of less than 10,000 ounces at your mint, will

will be 92¼¢ per ounce fine.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 19, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Your letter of the 17th instant inclosing bids received for five barrels coiner's sweeps is received. The bid of S. P. Howard ($1,015.48) being the highest, your acceptance of the same is approved.

The bids are returned herewith.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 19, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

The following blank book for official use has been mailed you this day, viz:

1 Book of Supplies Delivered.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 19, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:-

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

1000 Assayers Mems. of gold bullion (Form No. 39d)
200 Calculation Sheets " " " " " 1B.
4 Registers of Deposits " " 1887
500 Assayer's Report on Ore " 221
100 Bars manufactured monthly " 61½
50 Pay Rolls Officers " 47
50 " " Workmen " 48
50 "Abstracts" of Disbursements " 58a

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director

August 19, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the department for examination and settlement, your supplemental ordinary, refinery & S. S. Dollar accounts for the month ended June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

(See next page.)

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

(See page 143)

Letter to same address (except as follows) similar—

ordinary + standard silver dollar expense accounts;

August 19, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department,

Sir:—

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the ordinary & standard silver dollar expense accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at New Orleans, for the month ended June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

Letter to same address, similar except as follows:

+ + + + + supplemental, ordinary, refinery + stand. silver dollar accounts, + + +
+ + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +

August 19, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:—

Purchases of silver bullion have been made this day, at the department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer

at New York:
Clark, Dodge & Co. — 100,000 ounces, at $0.9265

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 19, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I have approved and referred to the proper accounting officers of the department for examination and settlement a bill of the Stationery Division, Treasury Department, for Stationery shipped you in the month of July, amounting to $77.00 payable from the appropriation for contingent expenses of your mint fiscal year 1890.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Letter, similar except as noted below, to
Assayer U. S. Assay Office
Helena, Mon.

+ + + + + $80.16, + + + + + + + +

August 19, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Denver, Col.

Sir:-

Deposit Memorandum, dated August 14, 1889, of gold bullion, forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, shipment No. 4, dated

August 10, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value found to be $55,868.07; charges $142.59, and net value $55,725.48. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Letter similar except as noted below, to

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

+ + + + dated August 15, + + + + + + gross value $28,272.57, charges $71.85 and net value $28,200.72 + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +

August 19, 1887.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Mint at Denver, Col. to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Fifty Five Thousand One Hundred and Twenty Six 76/100 Dollars ($55,126.76) in gold coin and Five Hundred and Ninety-Eight 72/100 Dollars ($598.72) in silver coin, making a total of Fifty Five Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty Five 48/100 Dollars ($55,725.48) being the net value of bullion heretofore forwarded by the

Assayer in charge of the United States mint at Denver, Col. as shown by memorandum No___, dated August 14, 1889, of gold bullion deposited at said mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Letter to same address, similar except as noted below.

+ + + + + Assay Office at Helena, Mon.
+ + + + + + + + + + $27,522.44 + +
+ + + $678.28 + + + + + + + $28,200.72 + +
+ + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +

August 20, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department,

Sir:-

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the ordinary expense account of the late Assayer in charge of the U. S. Mint at Denver, Col. for the month ended June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 20, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department,

Sir:-

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the ordinary & refinery expense accounts of the Superintendent of the U. S. Assay Office at New York, for the month ended June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 20, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Denver, Col.

Sir:-

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the department for examination and settlement, your ordinary expense account for the month ended June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 20, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York,

Sir:-

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the department, for examination and settlement, your ordinary + refinery expense accounts for the month ended June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 20, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Your letter of the 19th instant stating that your supply of 5¢ copper nickel blanks is exhausted, is received.

As the demand for these coins is likely to continue you are authorized to make a requisition on the contractor, Mr. Joseph Wharton, for an additional 50,000 pounds under existing contract, viz: 42 1/10 cents per pound.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 20, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I will thank you to forward the following statements, viz:

First:- the amount of 1¢ bronze and 5¢ nickel blanks purchased during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889 and the cost thereof.

Second:- minor coins transferred by the Treasurer of the United States and disposition thereof during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, also statement showing the minor coins distributed from your mint during the fiscal year 1889.

Third:- Statement showing

the value of the different denominations and types of minor coins remelted during the last fiscal year.

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 21, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department,

Sir:-

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the ordinary expense accounts of the Assayers in charge of the U. S. Assay Offices at Helena & Boise for the month ended June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 21, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:-

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the department for examination and settlement, your ordinary expense account for the month ended June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 21, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you, this day, viz:

3 Silver Melting Books.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 21, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York,

Sir:-

Your letter of the 20th instant transmitting report of the adjustment of weights and balances of your office for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, has been received.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 21, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

1500 Assayer's report upon silver bullion (Form No. 41)
1250 " " gold " " 39a.
" " " + coin " " 232
50 Monthly Statements of Balances of " " 53a.
ts " "

50 Pay-Rolls, Officers, & Clerks, Form No. 47
50 " Workmen " " 48
50 Requisitions for funds " " 56a.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 21, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir:-

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Boise City, to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia of the sum of Sixteen Thousand & Sixty Three 24/100 Dollars ($16,063.24) in gold coin, and One Hundred, and Seventy Eight 1/100 Dollars ($178.01) in silver coin, making a total of Sixteen Thousand Two Hundred & Forty One 25/100 Dollars ($16,241.25) being the net value of bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Boisé City, Idaho, as shown by memorandum, dated August 17, 1889, of gold bullion deposited at said mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

Letter to same address, similar except as noted below.

+ + + + + + + + + + U. S. Assay Office at
St. Louis, Mo. + + + + + + + + + + + + + +
+ + + + + $10,299.90 + + + + + $163.87
+ + + + + + + + $10,463.77 + + +
+ + + U. S. Assay Office at St. Louis, Mo. + + + +
+ + Memorandum, dated August 16, 1889 + + +
+ + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +

August 21, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho,

Sir:-

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers, of the department for examination and settlement, your ordinary expense account for the month ended, June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 21, 1889.

Assayer in charge
U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho,

Sir:-

Deposit Memorandum, dated August 17, 1889, of gold bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, shipment No. 5, dated August 10, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau and, the gross value found to be $16,283.64, charges $42.39 and net value $16,241.25. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 21, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:-

Deposit Memorandum, dated August 16, 1889, of gold bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 93, dated August 13, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau and the gross value was found to be $10,493.40, charges $29.63 and net value $10,463.77. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 22, 1889.

Mr. Geo. W. Moze,
Adams Express Co.,
Washington,

Sir:-

If your company is disposed to offer a rate for transportation of gold bullion from Helena & Butte, Montana, to Philadelphia it will be entertained by this Bureau, along with proposals of other companies.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 22, 1889.

Telegram.

American Exchange
National Bank,
New York,

Your offer declined.

Confirmed.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

Similar telegrams sent to
Clark, Dodge & Co.
#51 Wall Street,
New York.

J. & W. Seligman & Co.
New York.

August 22, 1889.

Telegram.

Handy & Harman,
#24 Nassau Street,
New York,

Fifty thousand ounces of your offer accepted.

Confirmed.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

August 22, 1889.

Telegram.

Superintendent, Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Peters' offer of Forty two Thousand ounces at ninety two & one half cents per ounce fine accepted.

Confirmed.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

August 22, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho,

Sir:-

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you, this day, viz:

1000 Deposit Slips "A".

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

I transmit herewith, copy report Assayer, U. S. Assay Office, N. Y. upon assay coins taken from the first & two subsequent deliveries in each week at your mint during the month of July 1889, and forwarded for test as prescribed by the Regulations.

The coins were found to be within the legal limits of tolerance.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter sent to
Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

August 22, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department,

Sir:-

I transmit herewith for examination & settlement, the ordinary expense account of the Assayer in charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Charlotte, N. C. for the month ended June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 22, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department,

Sir:-

I transmit herewith, for examination & settlement, the medal fund account of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 22, 1889.

Late, Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:-

I have examined & referred to the [illegible] of the department for examination and settlement, your ordinary expense account for the month ended June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the department, for examination and settlement, your medal fund account for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Purchases of silver bullion have been made this day, at the department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Handy + Harman - 50,000 ounces at $0.9265

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Enclosed, herewith find account of the "Inquirer" of your city for advertising for proposals for supplies required by your mint for the current fiscal year amounting to $33.60 which sum is payable from the appropriation for contingent expenses of your mint, 1889.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

Referring to my letter of current date approving the awards for supplies required during the current fiscal year for your mint, I have not approved the award for the 58,000 lbs. of copper made by you to the Baltimore Copper Smelting & Rolling Company for the reason that I regard that amount as in excess of the requirements of your mint for the year.

The Baltimore Copper Smelting & Rolling Co. however, will furnish such quantity as you may require during the year, at the same rate as their proposal to you.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 22, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:-

Your letter of the 14th instant in explanation of awards for certain supplies required by your mint during the current fiscal year, has been received & I have decided to approve the awards made by you under date of July 15th for the following supplies, viz:

A. Bergman

Blankets, Middletown	56/76	@ $2.55	per pair
Buck gloves	No. 269	@ 18.–	" doz.
"	" 625	@ 13.50	" "
"	" 737	@ 15.00	" "
"	" 736	@ 16.50	" "
"	" 130	@ 15.50	" "
"	" 300	@ 15.–	" "
"	" 113	@ 12.–	" "

Justinian Caire

Acid, oxalic		@ 65¢	per lb.
Granulated Lead		@ 16¢	" "
Litmus Paper		@ 3¢	" sheet
Litharge		@ 8¢	" lb.
Muffle Bridges		@ 65¢	each
Nitre, refined		@ 9¢	per lb.
Sal Ammonia		@ 16¢	" "
Soda, bicarbonate		@ 3¼¢	" "
Crucibles, Dix. B. L. from	#12 to $1000	@ 2¾¢	" No.
" " under	#12	@ 4¢	" "
" French clay	#9	@ $1.12	" doz.
" " "	#16	@ 6.50	" "
" Tests, Sand	#4	@ 50¢	" "
" French clay	#8	@ $1.00	" "
" " "	#10	@ 1.60	" "

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

French clay, annealing cups @ $1.25 per doz.
B. L. Covers #2 @ 1.00 " "
Dipping Cups #3 @ 6.75 " "
#2 @ 6.25 " "
Test" Tubes" 5 x 5/8 @ 30¢ " "

Carson & Tahoe L. & F. Co.

Yellow Pine @ $6.40 per cord

A. Cohn

Rubber Gauntlets (13 to 15) @ $22.50 per doz. pairs

Golden City Chemical Works

Nitric Acid - C. P. @ 23¢ per lb.

Hootman & Rodenbak

Charcoal @ 28¢ per bush.

Pacific Metal Works

Zinc (Bertha pure) @ 10¢ per lb.

John Taylor & Co.

Acid, Muriatic, C. P. @ 27¢ per lb.
Ammonia, concentrated (6 bottles 24 lb.) @ 20¢ " "
Argol @ 12 1/2¢ " "
Assayer's Lead @ 9¢ " "
Bone Ash @ 4¢ " "
Evaporating Dishes 10 in. @ $10.50 " doz.
Filter Paper, Germ. F. Pr. @ 4.50 " ream
Muffles @ 8.50 " doz.
Parting Flasks @ 2.25 " "
Phosphorus @ 1.10 " lb.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 22, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:-

[illegible] your account for

disbursements for the month of June cannot be allowed in its present condition. The original authority of the Secretary of the Treasury to advertise must be attached to the voucher and you will observe that before payment all bills for advertising must be approved by him (vide note at top of voucher.)

Since the bill has been paid without this formality, I will thank you to forward the Secretary's authority, together with a copy of each issue of the paper in which the advertisement appeared, that the error may be corrected. Please do this at once as it is desirable to close the accounts of the last fiscal year at as early a date as practicable.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 23, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

50 Statements of Account current (Form No. 54)
50 Monthly " " Weight & cost of silver bullion " " 193
500 Memorandum of silver bullion deposits " " 44.
250 " " gold " " " 42a.
25 Statements of Earnings and Expenditures " " 207

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 23, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

I am informed, that the stock of minor coins, - one cent bronze and five cent nickel pieces, - are becoming redundant in the several sub-Treasuries. You will, therefore, until further notice, return all orders, received from any city in which a sub-Treasury is located, with the information that the coins can be had upon application to the Assistant Treasurer.

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

August 23, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:-

C/D, No. 1448 for $131.94, being on account of balance of appropriation for wages & contingent expenses of your office, '89, enclosed in your communication of the 12th instant, has been received, properly endorsed and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your ordinary accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a repayment to the credit of the above appropriation.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director.

August 24th, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Carson, Nev. be increased in the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars, ($100,000,) by a transfer of that amount in gold coin, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer of the U. S. at San Francisco by telegraph.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 24, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the supplemental Ordinary expense account of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia for the month ending June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Augt. 24th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of One Hundred Thousand Dollars, ($100,000.) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco, by telegraph.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 24, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

320 Daily Statements of Balances. (Form No. 250)

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Aug. 24, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Supplemental Ordinary Expense account for the month ending June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 24, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

S.D. No. 7449 for $2178.32 being on account of bal. of Contingent appropriation of your Mint 1889, enclosed in your communication of the 23rd instant, has been received, properly endorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Ordinary accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a repayment to the credit of the above appropriation.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 24, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I forward to you to-day by express six (6) silver life saving medals which have been returned to this Bureau by the Secretary of the Treasury, the same having been spoiled by the inscriptions and for which new medals are desired. You will please cause these medals to be melted, restruck and remounted, charging the department with any loss that may occur in melting the silver and with the expense of remounting.

Your attention is called to the fact that the blue ribbon used in mounting should be slightly narrower than that used at present.

You will please forward the medals as early as possible together with your ac-

-count for the same. You will pay the express charges both ways, charging the same in your account.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 24, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent, Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Loaiza's offer declined. Will accept at ninety two and one half cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

Aug. 26, 1889

M. E. Smith, Esq.,
Assayer in charge,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Statement of bullion shipment No. 4 to U.S. Mint Philadelphia dated August 10th is returned herewith for signature.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 26, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your letter of the 24th instant enclosing bids received for seventy three (73) barrels, Melter & Refiner's Sweeps is received. The bid of the Chicago and Aurora Smelting and

Refining Company viz: $6,336.— being the highest, your acceptance of the same is approved.

The bids are returned herewith.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 26, 1889

Telegram Confirmed

American Exchange National Bank,
New York.

Your offers declined.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

August 26, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Boston & Colorado Smelting Co.
Denver, Col.

Your offer declined.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

Similar telegrams sent to:

Clark, Dodge & Co.,
#51 Wall Street
New York.

Handy & Harman
#24 Nassau Street
New York.

Nesslage, Colgate & Co.
#29 Wall Street,
New York.

Aug 27, 1889

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Boisé City to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty-four $\frac{74}{100}$ Dollars, (\$17,564$\frac{74}{100}$) in Gold Coin, and One Hundred and Fifty $\frac{21}{100}$ Dollars (\$150 $\frac{21}{100}$,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Seventeen Thousand Seven Hundred and Fourteen $\frac{95}{100}$ Dollars, (\$17,714.$\frac{95}{100}$) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Boisé, as shown by Memorandum dated Aug. 24, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director

Aug 27, 1889

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum dated Aug. 24, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 6 dated Aug. 17th, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be \$17,759.$\frac{91}{100}$, charges \$44.$\frac{96}{100}$, and net value \$17,714.$\frac{95}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 27th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:

The Phoenix Manufacturing Company of Taunton has been habitually very persistent in claiming as its right the award as the lowest bidder for crucibles, etc., whenever any preference is exercised for any brands offered at a higher price.

This company has even complained at the Executive Mansion of the omission on your part to reply to a letter addressed to you, probably on this subject of the last award for crucibles.

I should be glad, now that the business has been concluded, if you will reply to this letter, stating your preference for other brands according to the experience of the operative officers and of your own judgment in the matter.

It is probable that your letter will be made the subject of appeal.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 27, 1889.

To the
Supt. U. S. Mint
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

Hereafter in telegraphing at the close of business Wednesdays and Saturdays of each week, the balance and cost of silver on hand, you will state the amount in round figures. This will be sufficient for the purposes of the Bureau.

It will be unnecessary for you to telegraph hereafter the cost of your local purchases unless the same shall be specifically called for.

Referring to your statement of silver purchases for the month of July I find that you report in detail the amount of silver partings purchased.

It is unnecessary for you to do this but simply to forward a statement showing the aggregate number of ounces of silver parted from gold deposits and cost thereof.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Aug. 27, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

Please forward your statement of Bars Manufactured No. 61½ for July.

This statement should always accompany forms No. 60 and 61 when transmitted to the Bureau and if no bars are manufactured a footnote to that effect should be made.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans,
La.

August 27, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Sir:

The Collector at your port has requested that assays of argentiferous lead ores be made at your institution in order to enable him to meet the requirements of the Bureau of Statistics. As these statistics are also of importance to this Bureau it would seem as if this aid should be extended to the collector, although I regret that this can only be done by introducing into the assay office what I have been at great pains to dispense with; as I consider that the mechanical preparation of ores for assay is not in harmony with the nice work of bullion assay.

It is to be hoped that the business will not prove of any considerable magnitude.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 27, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

3 Assayer's Memoranda of Silver Purchases.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director

Augt. 27, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Authority is hereby granted you to have the cards referred to in your letter of the 24th instant, printed in your city.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 27th, 1889.

Phoenix Manufacturing Company,
Taunton,
Mass.

Sir:

Replying to your letter to the Private Secretary at the Executive Mansion, referred to this Department I have to say that, if your letter, addressed to the Superintendent of the Mint at Carson, is of such nature as to seem to him to require a reply, a reply will doubtless be received from the officer after the business which forms the subject of your letter shall have been concluded.

I take this occasion to remark that the Department has been constrained to recede from the position taken last year as to the award for crucibles and other refractory utensils at the several mints and assay offices to the lowest bidder, irrespective of special circumstances in their use, - such as personal practice, fuel, draught, &c. - the claim of operative officers to the exercise of their personal preference for particular brands for such utensils according to experience, having been considered just.

It is obvious that the Department cannot undertake to overrule the action in such strictly technical matters of the awarding officer, who is bound no less to consider quality and all practical conditions than to consider comparative prices.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 27th, 1889.

E. P. Reichhelm & Co.,
80 Nassau Street,
New York, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

Your bill for portion of gas furnace contracted for during the last fiscal year has been approved and sent to the Auditor. The rest of your bill, payable out of this year's appropriation, can, so far as deliveries have been made, be sent, immediately.

I take this occasion to say, that you should make it an express condition in ordering a Root blower that it shall be comparatively noiseless, as you would see a noisy blower would be very unsuitable within the Department building.

I shall look to you, therefore, for satisfaction on this point, as none other than a noiseless blower would be acceptable.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 27, 1889.

To the Superintendent,
Northern Pacific Express Company,
St. Paul, Minn:

Sir:

If your company is disposed to offer a rate for transportation of gold bullion from Helena, Montana, to Philadelphia, it will be entertained by this Bureau along with proposals of other companies.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 27, 1889.

Messrs. Dewey & Co.,
Publishers, Mining & Scientific Press,
San Francisco, Cal.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your communication of the 29th of June last, requesting payment of bill for one years subscription to the Mining & Scientific Press to July 1st 1889, I have to inform you that the bill was paid on the 7th of November 1888.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 27th, 1889.

B. F. Jonas, Esq.,
Collector of Customs
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of August 20th, I have to say that the Superintendent of the Mint at New Orleans has been instructed to aid you as far as practicable in the way of assays of argentiferous lead ores.

Respectfully, Yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 28, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Assay Office at Boisé be increased in the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars, ($10,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U.S. at San Francisco, Cal.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Aug. 28, 1889.

Assayer, U.S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of Ten Thousand Dollars, ($10,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at San Francisco Cal.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 28, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

12 Assayer's Books.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 28, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

I will thank you to furnish a statement showing by denominations the amount of uncurrent U. S. Silver coins purchased at your mint during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Similar letter, with exception here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

showing by months

August 28, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I will thank you to forward a statement showing by denominations the amount of U. S. Silver coins transferred to you by the Treasurer of the United States during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, for recoinage.

I will also thank you if practicable to furnish a statement showing the amount and denominations of uncurrent silver coins purchased over the counter during the same time.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Aug. 29, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at New Orleans be increased in the sum of One Million Dollars, ($1,000,000.) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very, respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 29, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for examination and settlement the Ordinary Expense account of the Assayer in Charge of the U. S. Assay Office at St. Louis Mo, for the Month ending June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment, as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint

August 29, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement a bill of the Denver Republican for advertising for proposals for supplies, amounting to $6.00 payable from the appropriation for contingent expenses of your mint fiscal year 1889.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Aug. 29, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of One Million Dollars ($1,000000.–) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 29th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

Replying to yours of August 27th suggesting that an unpaid deposit of date of July 6, 1881, be covered into the Treasury in order to remove from your accounts a corresponding item, I have to say that I see no alternative but to carry this item. Our recent experience in a demand for the payment of a deposit some thirty years after it was made seems to teach the necessity of carrying along all such accounts, which if covered into the Treasury would have to be as a "miscellaneous receipt" and could not be recovered except through Congress. I see no very serious trouble in carrying an item of unpaid deposits from year to year.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 29, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Sir:

I will thank you to forward your annual Tabulated Statement of expenditures for the fiscal year 1889.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 29, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your annual Tabulated Statement of expenditures for the fiscal year 1889, has not been received at this Bureau. I will thank you to cause it to be forwarded at as early a date as practicable.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 29, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I send you for the engravers department of your Mint a number of designs for the Metis and Life Saving medals, which were submitted to this Bureau in 1873 and since. The engraver can dispose of them in such manner as he may think best.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Aug't. 29, 1889.

Assayer in Charge
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Ordinary Expense account for the month ending June

30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 29th, 1889.

E. P. Reichhelm & Co.,
80, Nassau Street
New York City.

Gentlemen:

As it is very desirable that the noise from a blower should be reduced to a minimum, you are requested to encase and pack it as proposed in your letter of August 28th.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 29, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Peters' offer of seventeen Thousand ounces at ninety two and one half cents per ounce fine accepted.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

August 29, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

American Exchange National Bank,
New York.

Your offer declined.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director Mint

August 29, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Clark, Dodge & Co.
#51 Wall Street,
New York.

Your offer declined.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

Similar telegram sent to:

Telegram Confirmed

Handy & Harman,
#24 Nassau Street
New York.

August 30th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:

I should like to be informed of your arrangements for commencing coinage operations at Carson.

The purchases of silver, depending on the offers, have aggregated scarcely sufficient for commencing an uninterrupted coinage of silver dollars. In the circumstances, you will probably find it expedient to carry on the coinage of silver dollars and double eagles concurrently, with the view, mainly, of providing yourself with gold coin for your bullion fund and of executing a silver dollar coinage to the extent of your resources and remaining capacity.

You are provided with dies for these two coins mentioned, and while it is not desirable to commence operations with a certainty of discontinuance, it does seem desirable to commence operations as soon as practicable inasmuch as the expenses of the coinage department have already begun and will count against the average cost of production of coin, especially if the coinage be delayed.

It is assumed that you are laying up a stock of ingots for the two coins named, and that you will be, before long, in a condition to commence coinage operations, which I trust will be favored by the realization of your hopes of receiving larger offers of silver in the immediate future.

If you have any suggestions to make to the Department tending to increase the supply of silver bullion they will be welcome and fully considered.

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 30, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

15 (Form No. 57 B.) Official Bonds.
30 " " 59 Affidavits of Surety.

Very Respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Telegram Confirmed.

August 30, 1889.

Fourth National Bank,
New York

Offers for sale of silver will be received on Monday next as usual.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

Aug. 31, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Assay Office at St. Louis to that of the U.S. Mint, at Philadelphia, of the sum of Fifteen Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty-nine $\frac{12}{100}$ Dollars, (\$15,289.$\frac{12}{100}$) in Gold Coin, and Two Hundred, and Fifty-one $\frac{22}{100}$ Dollars (\$251$\frac{22}{100}$,) in Silver Coin, making a total of Fifteen Thousand Five Hundred and Forty $\frac{34}{100}$ Dollars (\$15,540.$\frac{34}{100}$,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at St. Louis, as shown by Memorandum dated Aug. 27, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 31, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use

have been mailed you this day, viz:
1 Assayer's Register of Silver Ingots.
1 Book of supplies received.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Aug. 31, 1889.

Assayer in charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated Aug. 27, 1889, of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 94 dated Aug. 24, 1889, has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be \$15,582.$\frac{02}{100}$, charges \$41.$\frac{68}{100}$, and net value \$15,540.^{34}. For the latter amount a transfer has been requested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

August 31, 1889.

Messrs. Yaffhy Bros.
#324 Francis St.
St. Joseph, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

In reply to your letter of the 28th instant, you are informed that if the gold you have is suitable for deposit at the mints, you will receive the coining value of the same less mint charges by forwarding it to the Assayer in

charge of the U. S. Assay Office at St. Louis, Mo.
The Silver will be purchased by the Mint at New Orleans or Philadelphia as bullion at the rate the mints may be authorized to pay on the day of delivery. At present the price is 92¼ cents per ounce fine.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

August 31st, 1889.

Señor Don. Javier Stavoli
Jefe de la Seccion Septima,
City of Mexico, Mexico.

Sir:
The last publications I have had the pleasure of receiving from you were the Mint Report published in 1887 and the "Noticia de la Exportación de Mercancias" published in 1888. These reports are exceedingly valuable to this Bureau, and I should be very glad if you would take the trouble to send me anything since published.
I shall be glad to respond to any request for similar favors.

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 2nd, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:
It is respectfully requested that the Bullion Fund of the United States Mint at Philadelphia

be increased in the sum of One Million Dollars, ($1,000,000.-) by a transfer of that amount in lawful money, and that the same be placed to the credit of the Superintendent of said institution with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 2, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I desire to call your particular attention to the remarks in my last two fiscal reports on technical operations at the Mints, and now to request that you will call upon the operative officers to state in writing, what may appear to them to be the requirements in the way of new appliances or improvements.

Indirect reports have come to me of serious defects in the rolling machinery of your mint. Anything of this sort should be officially reported promptly so that action can be taken.

It is desirable that all statements should be specific and recommendations likewise, as far as practicable.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint

Sept. 2d, 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery, at your Mint of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Handy & Harman 375,000 Ounces, at $0.9315

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 2, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The requirements of the Treasury for dimes during the past month has been large and the indications are that for the current month, the demand will be much in excess of that of August and it is necessary that you should make every exertion to meet this demand. I regard it essential therefore that you should coin in September from $150,000.00 to $200,000.00 in dimes, the latter amount if possible.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 2, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

I have requested that the Bullion Fund of your Institution be increased by a transfer of One Million Dollars, ($1,000,000.-) and that the same be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

September 2, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank book for official use has been mailed you this day viz:

1 Supt. record of accounts of minor coinage.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

September 2nd, 1889.

Circular Letter.

To the Assayer in charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

The following instructions relative to the preparation of the daily statement of receipts, payments, and balances [form No. 250] will take effect from this date:

The opening balance of lawful money will comprise all the moneys available for bullion purposes whether on hand in cash or on deposit with depository banks and Assistant Treasurers.

The amount received on transfer orders will be entered on the daily statement of the date of the receipt of the notice of the transfer.

Payments by check will specify the amount drawn on each Assistant Treasurer and depository bank. Checks should not be drawn in payment of the same deposit on different Assistant Treasurers. The balance at the close of the day's business in lawful money will comprise the full amount to the credit of the officer in charge as a bullion fund.

Payments from the bullion fund will be by check, except payments for the slip cut for assay, and change on deposits of silver which will be paid for in cash over the counter. For this purpose the officer in charge will draw a check for $50 in his own favor as often as may be necessary, which will be marked "Change".

No check will be drawn on the Assistant Treasurers at New York and San Francisco for a less amount than $100.

Funds belonging to the ordinary accounts will be deposited in the depository bank in the city in which the assay office is located, and all bills of over $10 in amount will be paid by checks. Petty bills of less than $10 will be paid in cash over the counter. For this purpose the officer in charge will draw a check in his own favor for $25, marked "petty expenses", as often as may be necessary.

Salaries and wages in round sums, approximating but not exceeding the amount due each officer and employé, may be paid at the middle of the month on a pay-roll and a check for the total amount of the roll drawn, but the roll at the end of the month will embrace the service of the entire month.

Payments to employés, other than on semi-monthly and monthly pay rolls, will not be made except in cases of death, sickness or other extreme necessity.

The amount of each days payments, whether for salaries, wages or incidental expenses, will be deducted on the daily statement from the cash belonging to the ordinary account, so that the balance reported will be the exact balance in cash on hand.

Moneys received for assays of bullion, sales of old material and from other miscellaneous sources, not belonging to the bullion or ordinary accounts, will not be entered on this statement.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar communications addressed to:

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office
Helena, Mont.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

September 2, 1889.

Telegram
Confirmed

Boston & Colorado Smelting Co.
Denver, Col.

Your offer declined. Will accept same for New Orleans at ninety-three and five hundredths cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

September 2, 1889.

Telegram
Confirmed

Edward Brush,
Greenwich, Conn.

Your offers declined. Will accept same at ninety three and five hundredths cents per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

September 2, 1889.

Telegram
Confirmed

Handy & Harman.
#24 Nassau Street,
New York.

Your offer accepted.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

First Auditor, Treas'y Dept. { September 3, 1889.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Bullion and coin accounts of Robt. P. Waring, late assayer in Charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Charlotte, N. C. for the periods ending June 30/89 and July 26, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

September 3rd, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Ida.

Sir:

Referring to your bullion and coin accounts for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, your attention is directed to the following discrepancies:

Certificate of gold deposit No. 124, herewith returned, calls for $169.29 in gold bars and gold coin while the certificate is made out for $167.86.

Certificate of gold deposit No. 141 calls for $535.63 in gold bars and gold coin while the certificate is made out for $535.73

Please correct these certificates and return them to this Bureau.

Deposit No. 174 of May 31, the charge for parting should be 4 cents an ounce instead of 3 cents, and the total mint charges $5.– instead of $4.14.

You will deposit in your till in cash 86 cents, being the amount of overpayment on this deposit, and enter it in your coin account and to the credit of your collection account in your accounts for the current quarter.

Your attention is respectfully directed to the fact that the figure "7" on your abstract sheets is made in some cases very much like the figure "4". Please instruct the clerk who makes out these sheets to be careful to make all the figures very distinct.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint

Sept. 3, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings, and expenditures for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, has been received at this bureau. Please forward the annual statement of earnings, and expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, without delay.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nevada.

Sir:

Referring to your statements of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, and for the fiscal year ended June 30 1889, the same are herewith returned with the information that the amount paid from the contingent appropriation should be fifty cents less than the amount entered on your statement. The total amount of contingent expenses should be increased by the sum of $127.90, being the amount paid for dies manufactured at the Mint at Philadelphia for your Mint. Please make the necessary corrections and return these statements with corrected ones.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 3rd, 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Mint
Carson City, Nev.

Sir:

Please forward a statement of the assets and liabilities at the close of business on June 30, 1889 similar to that published on page 146 of the fiscal report of this Bureau, 1888.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letters, addressed to:

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

September 3rd, 1889.

Robert P. Waring, Esq.,
Late Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

Your bullion and coin accounts for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, and also your final accounts for July 26, 1889, have been examined in this Bureau approved and forwarded to the proper accounting officers of the Department for settlement.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

The statement of earnings, and expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, forwarded on the first instant, has been received at this Bureau.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 3, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

Your statements of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, and for the fiscal year ended the same date, have been received at this Bureau.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Your statements of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, have been received at this bureau.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

You will please cause One Million (1,000,000) silver dollars to be coined at your Mint during the current month, if practicable.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3d, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Boston & Colorado Smelting Company 125,000 Ounces, at $0.9305
Consolidated Kansas City Smelting & Refining Co. 150,000 Ounces, at $0.9305

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

+ + + + + +

Consolidated Kansas City Smelting & Refining Company 200,000 Ounces, at $0.9305.

+ + + + + + + +

Sept. 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your statements of earnings and Expenditures for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, and statement of the Melter and Refiner's copper alloy account for June 30, 1889, forwarded on the 26th instant, have been received at this Bureau.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your statement of Assets and liabilities at the close of business, June 30, 1889, forwarded on the 27th instant, has been received at this Bureau.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your bullion and coin accounts for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, forwarded on the 15th instant, have been received at this bureau.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

You will please cause Two Million (2,000000,) silver dollars to be coined at your Mint during the current month, if practicable.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

4 Weigh Clerk's books of silver purchases.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

Your statements of operations and of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended March 31, 1889, have been received at this bureau.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office
New York City.

Sir:

Your statements of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, and also for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, have been received at this bureau.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

Your statement of the value and composition of bars issued for use in the industrial arts during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, forwarded on the third instant, has been received at this Bureau.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office
New York City.

Sir:

Your statement of the value of foreign coins, deposited at your Office, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, has been received at this bureau.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Superintendent U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

Your bullion accounts for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, have been received at this Bureau.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Mr. Leech has placed in my hands a diagram, by way of plan, for the interior arrangements of your safe. This I have referred to the Supervising Architect, and you will probably hear from the matter through the Superintendent of Construction of your new building; the Supervising Architect undertaking to adopt the plan.

Mr. Leech has also made known to me your desire for a gas assay plant in your new Office. You are accordingly requested to specify your requirements, after correspondence with the American Gas Furnace Co., 80 Nassau St. I should suppose one small size melting furnace and one cupel furnace with a small "Excelsior" blower (W. Foster, No. 5 Adams St., Brooklyn, N. Y.) will be all that you require. This plant will have to be paid for out of your regular appropriation. The price of Reichhelm to this Bureau, of a cupel furnace, recently introduced, was $100.00, and of a No. 2½ melting furnace $60.00. Sheet iron hoods and screen will probably be about $50.00.

Mr. Leech also informs me that you have introduced a telephone, maintaining it at your personal expense. Considering that you have dispensed with the services of janitor or messengers, and are conducting your office on so economical a basis, I withdraw my objection to the expenditure for a telephone, as I have no doubt it will save you a good deal of messenger work. Your bill for last year can, therefore, be paid out of the unexpended balance.

I consider that the Root blower will be too large for your purpose, and it is objectionable on account of its noise. The standard weights that you require can be supplied from the Bureau of Weights and Measures, if you make specific requisition for them. The additional assay balance recommended by Mr. Leech, as among your requirements, can be supplied to you from the number on hand at the Mint at Denver, for which instructions will be given.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, has been received at this Bureau.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, forwarded on the 10th instant, has been received at this bureau.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 3rd, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Please forward a statement of assets and liabilities at the close of business on June 30, 1889, similar to that published on page 146 of the fiscal report of this Bureau, 1888; also a statement of the value of foreign gold and silver coins deposited at your mint during the fiscal year 1889, also a statement of the value and composition of the bars manufactured for use in the industrial arts during the same period, also a statement of the amount of United States coin covered by transfer orders melted at your mint during the fiscal year, with the denominations of the coins.

If there have been no transactions in any of these items you will so report.

Respectfully, yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 3rd, 1889.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Please have the statements published on pages 37, and 38 of the last fiscal report of this Bureau covering the operations of the Melter and Refiner's, and Coiner's departments of your mint for a series of years compiled, to include the fiscal year 1889, and forward them to this Bureau without delay.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint.
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The bullion and coin accounts of your predecessor for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, and his supplemental accounts of transactions in bullion and coin, for the period ended July 31, 1889, forwarded on the 7th instant, have been received at this bureau.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures, and tabulated statement of expendi-

-tures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, forwarded on the 8th instant, have been received at this bureau.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The following blank forms for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

200 (Form No. 59) Affidavits of Surety.
50 " " 57 B. Official Bonds.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Mr. Wm Garrard,
Care of Wells Fargo & Co.,
Ogden, Utah.

Sir:

I have referred your letter of August 21st, with bills enclosed; to the Superintendent of the Mint at Carson for his approval, if in his opinion they are justified by the facts stated; in which case he is instructed to pay from appropriation for wages of workmen, for the current year.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Mr. Fred. C. Kline,
Glendive, Dawson Co.,
Montana.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 28th instant, relative to the assaying of certain minerals, you are informed that your communication has been referred to the Director of the Geological Survey, as no work of this kind is done at this bureau.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

The Supervising Architect
Treasury Department,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I have transmitted copies of your letter of Sept. 3rd., to the Superintendents of the Mints at San Francisco and New Orleans whose names are respectively as follows: W. H. Dimond, and G. Montegut. These officers have also been requested to report in writing, and with necessary diagrams, upon the subject of vaults, stating requirements, cubical capacity, available space and other necessary details.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I desire to call your attention to the appropriation for vaults for the storage of silver, at your Mint and at the Mint at San Francisco. This appropriation was contained in the bill, approved March 2, 1889. Although the Supervising Architect may communicate directly with you upon the subject as intimated in a letter of September 3rd., (copy herewith) you are requested to report upon the requirements of your institution for vaults for the safe storage of the silver dollars to be coined by your institution, say for two or three years, as the same law prohibits the transportation of silver dollars for storage at Washington.

You are requested to give the cubic dimensions of space available for vaults, and the cubic capacity of such vaults as you have to recommend for immediate construction, location and other details accompanied, if necessary, by diagram, the whole for reference to the Supervising Architect, in answer to his present inquiries.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director

September 3, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

From the law contained in the appropriation bill, approved March 2, 1889, providing for the construction of vaults for the storage of silver at the Mints in San Francisco and New Orleans, and making it unlawful to pay the expenses of the transportation of Standard Silver dollars, from the Mints or the sub-treasuries, to the Treasury at Washington, from the fund hitherto applied for such expenses, it probably will be construed that it is the wish of Congress that the coinage of silver dollars should be conducted at San Francisco, and storage provided in the Mint.

Pending a decision of the question of coinage at your mint I have to call your attention to the Act of Congress above referred to, and to request that you will advise this bureau of your requirements in the way of vaults, contingent upon the storage of a large volume of silver dollars. I should be glad if you would examine this question, as to the space available for new vaults, and to report upon the subject, along with diagrams necessary to make the report clear to the Supervising Architect. It is probable that this officer will communicate with you direct upon the subject, as intimated by a letter of the 3rd. instant, of which a copy is herewith enclosed.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint

September 4, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the final Bullion and Coin accounts of Wm. Garrard, late Superintendent of the U.S. Mint at Carson City for the Quarter ending June 30th, 1889, rendered

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 4th, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Bullion and coin accounts of the Assayer in charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Boisé City, Idaho for the Quarter ending June 30th, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law. (See memorandum of approval.)

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 4th, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith, for examination and settlement, the Supplemental Ordinary account of the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint at Carson, Nev., for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letter except as here noted, to same address:

+ + + + + +

+ + U. S. Assay Office at New York City +

+ + + + + +

September 4th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Boise City, Idaho.

Sir:

Your bullion and coin accounts for the period ending June 30, 1889, have been examined in this Bureau and approved, except as hereinafter stated, and forwarded to the proper accounting officers of the Department for settlement.

A disallowance has been recommended of 86 cents in payment of deposit No. 174, the mint charges on which should have been $5 instead of $4.14.

You were instructed yesterday in regard to this error.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 4, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting Officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your supplemental Ordinary Expense account for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, with my approval, except petty voucher No. 9. in which an overcharge of 15¢ occurs in telegram of May 25. - 21 words 93¢ should be 78¢. The excess is recommended to be disallowed and should be deposited at once.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

September 4th, 1889.

Wm. Garrard, Esq.,
Late Supt. U.S. Mint,
Carson City, Nevada.

Sir:

Your bullion and coin accounts for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, have been examined in this Bureau, approved and forwarded to the proper accounting officers of the Department for settlement. In preparing these accounts credit should have been taken for the bullion and coin transferred to your successor in office instead of having the amounts appear as a balance on hand. In the approval of the accounts I have requested the Auditor to give you credit for the amounts transferred to your successor, as per his receipts forwarded with your accounts.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 4th, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint,
Carson City Nev.

Sir:

As soon as the sale of your sweeps has been completed, [which I presume has been done before this] and the loss re-imbursed, you will deposit in the Treasury of the United States the balance in your profit and loss account.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 4, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Superintendent Mint
Carson, Nevada.

How soon will you require a supply of copper?

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

September 4, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Mon.

Sir:

Herewith returned please find voucher No. 1 of your statistical expense account for the fiscal year 1889. This voucher requires correction in the matter of adding dates and, if possible, you should file vouchers for hotel accomodations. this is not so important however, as that each item bear date.

Please note item marked, in pencil with an interrogation point. It is unintelligible in its present form.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

September 4, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I will thank you to inform me when you will probably require a supply of copper and how much.

Respectfully yours -
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

September 4, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have to request that the statement called for by my letter of the 28th ultimo will be made to show by denominations the amount of uncurrent silver coins purchased at your mint during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 4th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

I have received the report of Mrs. H. Clay Stier, and Thomas Robinson on the annual settlement at your institution.

From this report it appears that the Melter and Refiner had an excess during the fiscal year 1889 of 416.394 standard ounces of gold and 5,021.30 standard ounces of silver.

These gentlemen report that they found an excess of one ounce of standard gold in the bullion known as "June deposits"; the accounts calling for 59,589.874 standard ounces of gold bullion while the correct amount, as shown by their examination, was 59,590.874.

I will thank you to explain how this excess occurred, and whether it has been corrected in your accounts, and if so in what manner.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball,
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 4th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your supplemental Ordinary Expense account for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

September 4, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $6,000, to meet the expenses of the refinery in connection with your institution during the present month, payable from the appropriation for "Parting and refining bullion"

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Two Similar letters, except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.
$5000.00

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.
$3,000. past month

Sept. 4, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the Month of September, 1889, has been approved for the sum of $6000, payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your Office during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	1890,	$3,200
Wages of Workmen,	1890,	2,000
Contingent Expenses,	1890,	800

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letters except as here noted, addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

+ + $485.40 + + + + + +

Salaries,	1890	$285.40
Wages of Workmen,	1890 }	200.00
Contingent Expenses,	1890 }	

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

+ + $23000.00 + + + Mint + +

Salaries,	1890,	$4,000.
Wages of Workmen,	1890,	14,000.
Contingent Expenses,	1890,	5,000.

Sept. 4, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank books for official use have been mailed you this day, viz:

2 Weigh Clerk's registers of fine Gold Bars.
1 Register of receipts & deliveries of silver bullion & coin.
1 Melter & Refiner's book of Gold & Silver refining, (Form No. 186)

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter except as here noted, to same address:

3 Silver ingot melting books (Form No. 184)
1 Book of receipts for minor coinage blanks.
1 " " " " Silver ingots.
1 " " " " Gold " .

September 4th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

You are hereby instructed to again invite bids for the sale of sweeps which have accumulated at your mint. The Bureau has not been officially informed of the result of the last proposals for the sale of these sweeps.

For your information I would say that the sweeps of the Philadelphia mint were sold to the Chicago & Aurora Refining Company, located at Chicago, Illinois, and the sweeps of the Carson mint were sold to E. Williams, Carson City, at about 50 per cent of the assay value.

I would therefore suggest that you send assay reports of the sweeps, and such information concerning them as you are in the habit of sending out with proposals, to the following firms in addition to those firms in your own city as have been in the habit of bidding for sweeps, viz: The Chicago & Aurora Refinery, Chicago, Ill.; E. Balbach & Son, Newark, N.J.; S.P. Howard, P.O. Box 2363 New York City; Wolstein & Sulzberger, 17 John street New York City; Reno Smelting & Refining Works; E. Williams, Carson City. The proposals will be for the purchase of the sweeps, delivered to the agent of the buyer at your mint, the buyer to pay all transportation charges.

Before deciding on the offers, you will submit them to this Bureau with your recommendation.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 5, 1889.

Hon. Wm. Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause the bullion fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Charlotte, N. C. to be increased Twenty Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.00) by a transfer of this amount, and that of this sum Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000.00) be placed to the credit of the Assayer in charge of said institution, with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York and the ballance Five Thousand Dollars ($5000.00) with the Commercial

National Bank, at Charlotte, N. C.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 5, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for examination and settlement, the supplemental (final) Ordinary account of the Superintendent of the U. S. Assay Office at New York for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 5, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

Hereafter it will not be necessary for you to forward statement (Form No. 266) of United States coin deposits, and balance of bullion on hand at the close of the month, as the statement reaches this bureau too late to be of any value for the purpose for which it is used.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letters, addressed to:

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Assayer in charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

over

(See Boisé letter, preceding page)

Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office.
Helena, Montana.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

September 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

In compliance with your request of the 4th instant I have authorized the Baltimore Copper Smelting and Rolling Company to ship you ten (10) tons of Ingot Copper.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Telegram Confirmed

September 5, 1889.

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Offer of Peters declined. Will accept same at ninety-two and nine tenths cents per ounce fine, same rate as Philadelphia.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

September 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Sir:

Referring to statement of silver delivered by C. H. Peters on his sale under date of August 22, at 92½ cents, you are informed that for the purposes of the records of this Bureau it is only necessary, that you should furnish a statement showing the aggregate amount delivered and the cost of the same, of each purchase.

Respectfully, yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 5, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have this day requested that the bullion fund of your Office be increased in the sum of $25,000.— by a transfer of that amount, and that $20,000.— of this sum be placed to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at New York and $5,000.— with the Commercial National Bank at Charlotte, N. C.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 5, 1889

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N. C.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Ordinary expense Account, with Abstracts and Vouchers for the month ending August 31, 1889.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Similar letter addressed to:
Assayer in Charge U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sept. 5th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

I have to day requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced you the sum of $7000. from the appropriation for the coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar, to meet, in part, the expenses of your mint on account of that coinage during the current month.

Hereafter in making requisition for funds please divide what is required for wages between your appropriations for wages of workmen and the above. No portion of this advance should be used to defray contingent expenses.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

September 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your institution during the Month of September, 1889, has been approved for the sum of $11,700. payable from the following appropriations made for the support of your mint during the current fiscal year, viz:

Salaries,	1890,	$2,700
Wages of Workmen,	1890,	5,000
Contingent Expenses,	1890,	4,000

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Telegram Confirmed.

September 5, 1889.

Superintendent Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Make returns to Fourth National Bank, New York, on purchase from Consolidated Kansas City Smelting Company, second instant.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director Mint.

Sept. 5, 1889.

The Supt., U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

You will please prepare the statement, so far as it relates to your mint, printed on page 150 of the last fiscal report of this bureau, covering the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889, showing the expenditures from the silver profit fund, on account of transportation of silver coin, the transportation items being reported separately from the incidentals, and forward the same to this bureau at the earliest convenient moment.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Similar letters addressed to:

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Supt., U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sept. 5, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

I have examined your bullion accounts for the quarter ended June 30, 1889. I find that you did not ship all the bullion on hand to the mint for coinage, prior to June 30th, as you have been instructed to do at the close of each fiscal year, for the purpose of closing out the bullion accounts and ascertaining the exact profits or losses on transactions with the mint at Philadelphia. You have also failed to forward with your accounts the usual statement required at the close of the fiscal year, showing the value of each shipment as ascertained by you and allowed by the Mint at Philadelphia; the charges collected on each by you, the charges deducted at Philadelphia, and the net gain for the year by difference in assaying and by difference in charges. I am unable to verify the entry of $240.49, Surplus charges collected for the year. According to your shipment statements the total charges collected on bullion for the mint at your institution during the fiscal year was $974.37, and the total charges deducted at the mint on the shipments $730.00, leaving a net profit on charges, if all the bullion had been shipped, of $244.37. As it is impossible for this Bureau to know the mint charges imposed on the small quantity of bullion retained in your possession, it is equally impossible to tell the exact profit to your institution in the way of charges for the year. If all of the bullion had been shipped the balance in the collection account would have been the exact amount of the charges deducted at the Mint at Philadelphia on the last shipments of the quarter which were not transferred at the date of the close of your account, namely; $32.56. Before your accounts can be approved it will be necessary for you to forward the statement referred to, and explain how you arrived at the amount of $240.49, as surplus charges for the year. Please do this at your earliest convenience.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 5th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement your supplemental Ordinary account for the fiscal year ended June 30th, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Sept. 5th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York City, N. Y.

Sir:

C. D. No. 1386 for $1091.77 being on account of unexpended bals of appropriations for Wages & Con. Ex. of your Office enclosed in your communication of the 30th ultimo, has been received, properly endorsed, and forwarded to the Secretary of the

Treasury, personal credit to be given you in your Ordinary accounts, and the amount to be covered into the Treasury as a repayment to the credit of the following appropriations. Wages of workmen $102.00, Contingent Expenses $989.77 - fiscal year 1889.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Sept. 5th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir:

Purchases of Silver Bullion have been made this day, at the Department, by the Secretary of the Treasury, for delivery at your Mint, of the following parties, at the rates and for the amounts respectively named, which you will receive and pay for by draft on the Assistant Treasurer at New York:

Clark Dodge & Co. 7,000 Ounces, at $0.9290.

Cancelled

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

The following blank book for official use has been mailed you this day, viz:

1 Plain blank book.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

September 5, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

One million dollars placed to your credit with Assistant Treasurer at New York to-day, by wire.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

September 5, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Superintendent, Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Silver delivered by Fourth National Bank on account of sale Consolidated Kansas City Smelting Company, second instant. Make returns to the bank.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

Sept. 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

According to your quarterly statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, the profits of medals and proof coins, during the quarter, amounted to $610.29. According to your account as rendered it seems as if the profits should be $612.39, the difference of $2.10 being for forty-two Lake Superior medals entered on the debit side of the account and carried into stock, during the quarter under consideration. Please inform me whether the profits should not be increased by this amount, in the annual statement of this bureau.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 5, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

In compliance with request contained in your letter of the 4th instant, you are authorized to purchase from Joseph Wharton under his contract, 50,000 pounds of one cent bronze blanks.
You will please pepare and forward to this Bureau a form of advertisement for one cent bronze and five cent nickel pieces. The advertisement should specify that the blanks should be annealed, cleaned and milled.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 5th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have to day approved and referred for payment your bill of the 15th ultimo amounting to $51.55 for the manufacture of 5 obverse Double Eagle dies for the use of the U. S. Mint at San Francisco. The amount will be covered by transfer warrant to the credit of the following appropriations of your Mint:

Wages of Workmen, 1890 –	$48.60
Contingent Expenses, 1890 –	2.55

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

September 5th, 1889.

Sup't. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have approved and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement a bill of the San Francisco Chronicle for advertising for proposals for supplies amounting to $59.28 payable from the appropriation for Contingent Expenses of your Mint, fiscal year 1889.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Sept. 5, 1889.

Sup't. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have today approved and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement a bill of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, amounting to $51.55, for the manufacture of 5 "Obverse Double Eagle" dies for the use of your Mint payable from appropriations of your Mint as follows:

Wages of Workmen,	1890	$48.60
Contingent Expenses,	1890	2.55

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

September 5, 1889.

W. P. St. John Esq.,
President, Mercantile National Bank.
New York.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 4th instant you are informed that the total number of silver dollars coined under the act of February 28, 1878, to August 31, 1889, is Three Hundred Thirty Seven Million, Six Hundred Seventy Seven Thousand, Six Hundred and Fifty (337,677,650.).

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 5, 1889

E. P. Reichhelm & Co.
No. 80 Nassau St.
New York.

Gentlemen:

Your bill of the 26th of July, last, for assay furnace &c. purchased for the use of the Laboratory connected with this Bureau, amounting to $135.00 has been approved, and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement.

In the course of ten days a draft for the amount will probably be mailed you.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

September 5, 1889.

To the
Baltimore Copper Smelting and Rolling Company,
Keyser Building, Baltimore, Md.

Gentlemen:

You will please forward to the U. S. Mint at Carson, Nev. ten (10) tons of Ingot Copper under your contract for supplying the same.

You will transmit your account in duplicate accompanied by bill of lading to this Bureau.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 5, 1889.

Messrs. Clark, Dodge & Co.
#51 Wall Street,
New York.

Gentlemen:

The 7000 ounces of silver sold by you to-day, you will deliver at the Philadelphia Mint.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 5, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed

Clark, Dodge & Co.,
#51 Wall Street, New York.

Your offer declined. Will accept same at ninety two and nine tenths cents, per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.

Similar telegrams sent to:

American Exchange National Bank,
New York.

Handy & Harman
#24 Nassau Street, New York.

RG104 E-235 Vol 54

Sept. 5, 1889.

Mr. Joseph Wharton,
Jamestown, R.I.

Sir:

I have your favor of September 4, marked personal. While it would be a great comfort to the officers at Philadelphia, as well as to myself, to be empowered, or to feel justified, to extend beyond its terms your present contract for nickel and bronze blanks, it would be an irregular proceeding to do so, and not justifiable, since the price of copper has declined to such a point as to lead to the expectation of lower prices for bronze blanks.

The Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia has been authorized to prepare advertisements for bids for both kinds of blanks, - annealed, milled and cleaned, the bids to be opened on October 1st. A readjustment of prices for both kinds of blanks will naturally follow.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 6th, 1889.

William F. Switzler, Esq.,
Chief of the Bureau of Statistics,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I will thank you to furnish this Bureau, as soon as may be convenient, the annual statement of imports and exports of gold and silver, coin, bullion and ore, covering the fiscal year 1889, similar to the statement published on pages 169-176 of the fiscal report of this Bureau, 1888; and also a separate statement showing the countries from which the precious metals were imported into the United States, and the countries to which the same have been exported during the fiscal year, arranged similar to the table you furnished for the calendar year 1888, (only covering the exports in addition to the imports) printed on pages 32 and 33 of the report on the Precious Metals in the United States.

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 6th, 1889.

First Comptroller of the Treasury,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for file in your Office the official bond of Charles J. Deering, cashier's clerk, of the United States Mint at San Francisco, executed in the sum of $10,000 and bearing date of the 28th ultimo.

Respectfully, yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 6, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Boisé City, Idaho.

Sir:

I am not yet sure what disposition can be made of the appropriation for repairs of building, including new fence, and renovating the grounds, $1,500, especially, in the way of introduction of new appliances, the appropriation evidently having been inserted by clerical mistake through a repetition in the bill of a provision of the preceding year. While available within its explicit terms, it can hardly be used for anything outside of its provisions, strictly construed. Whatever requirements, however, remain, of the nature of betterments, may be reported to this bureau, along with suggestions and specifications.

Mr. Leech reports the requirement of a new floor in the melting room, and recommends that an old well, under the building, be filled up, and also recommends the introduction of an electric light plant, as a means of safety against fire, in the absence of illuminating gas. Any plans you may have to this end may be communicated to the bureau.

Mr. Leech reports the want of appliances for the introduction of hot water in pipes. You are requested to state what arrangements can be made for this purpose, and what sort of water-back can be used, that is whether a water-back is already at hand, or can be added to existing heating ~~heating~~ appliances.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 6, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Mr. Leech, who recently inspected the mint at Denver, reports a number of matters perhaps requiring attention.

First. The lock on the vault in the melter's department, said to be in bad repair, also locks on the vault in the main office. If you have any recommendation to make in regard to locks in these offices, requiring the attention of the bureau, you are requested to make it accordingly.

Second. Iron gratings over the door of the melting room, and over the windows and doors of the engine room. Such gratings cannot be an item of any considerable expenditure, and can be put in within your discretion.

Third. Six assay balances are reported as stored, and out of use, namely: four Becker, one Oertling, and one Troemner.

After selecting the best of these, which you are requested to send to the assay office at St. Louis, the others might be sold to the best advantage, after taking steps to secure competitive offers. The accepted offer should be submitted to this bureau for approval, and the proceeds, when the balances are sold, to be covered into the Treasury, as from old material sold.

Fourth. A number of stoves, no longer in use, are said to be stored in the Mint, which likewise should be sold, and in the same manner.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 6th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

Referring to your communication of the 2nd ultimo transmitting your bullion accounts for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, together with certain certificates of deposit covering miscellaneous profits into the Treasury, and certain statements covering the business of the quarter and the fiscal year, you are hereby instructed that certificates of deposit and annual and quarterly statements are not to be forwarded with your bullion accounts but by separate letter, and each certificate enumerated in the brief as well as each statement enclosed.

The special reason for this instruction is that when certificates and statements are forwarded with your accounts, which do not belong to the accounts they frequently escape immediate attention, as have some of the statements forwarded with your communication of the 2nd ultimo.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 6, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

Mr. Leech, in his report of an inspection of the assay office at Helena, recommends the raising of a chimney above the level of the roof, for the sake of better draught; also the addition of iron gratings to the three windows in the melting room; he also recommends the purchase of a clipping machine for cutting chips for assay, from gold bars, and the introduction of a small dynamo electric machine and storage battery for electric lights. What recommendations you have to make in these matters may be made to this department in the usual way.

Mr. Leech also reports wood stoves, eleven in number, stored in the building, and no longer of use, and recommends that authority be given to sell them. I would suggest that you advertise the sale of these stoves, to take place at the season of the year when the best prices can be secured, which will probably be soon, accepting the best offer or offers, subject to the approval of this bureau. The proceeds will be covered into the Treasury as from sale of old material.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 6th, 1889.

Sup't. U. S. Mint
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

On the 1st. ultimo the Bureau received from your Mint a statement bearing date of July 9, 1889, of the sale of 27 barrels of Melter and Refiner's sweeps on May 23, 1889, to E. Balbach & Son. The net loss on these sweeps was $291.51. I find that the total loss on the sale of sweeps at your Mint during the quarter ended June 30, 1889, is entered on your quarterly statement of earnings and expenditures as $764.52, so that there was a loss of $473.01 on some other sweeps, probably the Coiner's, of the sale of which, according to the records of this Bureau, no statement has been received.

If such a statement was forwarded you will please inform me of the date, and if it was not forwarded you will please have prepared and mailed the Bureau at once a statement covering the assay value and proceeds and mode of reimbursement, together with the receipt of the steamship for the transportation of the same. Please give this matter your immediate attention.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 6th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

The bills for the shipment of Silver dollars, accompanying your bullion accounts for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, have been examined in this Bureau, and the amount of the bills as rendered will be approved by me.

I return herewith certain duplicate bills forwarded with your accounts.

According to your statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, the expenses of distributing standard silver dollars amounted to $1,041.98, while the bills as rendered amount to $1,083.17, a difference of $41.19.

You will please explain this discrepancy, and if your quarterly statement of earnings and expenditures is wrong, forward a corrected one.

In this connection I again direct your attention to the necessity of more care on the part of the express companies in the preparation of the bills for the shipment of silver dollars. Reference is had especially to the bills of the Pacific and other express companies for transportation beyond the lines of the original shipper. Many of these bills do not state on their face the amount of the shipment but speak of "one box of coin". In some cases the amount has been entered in pencil as $500, and afterwards scratched to $1,000. The express company should be required in all cases to state in ink on the face of the bill the amount contained in each box carried.

It would seem as if the expenses of shipment might be settled up closer than has been the practice. The last month's bill, forwarded with your June accounts, covers the shipments of March. It is especially desirable in the closing accounts of the year that the expenses of the year should be covered, as nearly as possible, and I will thank you to instruct the express companies to render their bills more promptly, so that the accounts for the quarter may more nearly cover the expenses of the quarter.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Telegram
Confirmed

September 6, 1889.

Superintendent, Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Receive seven thousand ounces from Clark Dodge & Co. at ninety-two and nine tenths cents, per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

September 6th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your attention is directed to the following extract from the report of Mr. Leech of this Bureau on the examination of the Mint at Denver:

"Attention is directed to the difference in the value of shipments of gold bars as ascertained at the Mint at Denver and the Mint at Philadelphia. On the first shipment of the present fiscal year the Mint at Denver lost $25.63, and on the second shipment $23.21. I examined the returns of the two institutions on these shipments in detail, and found that on all the bars which were not re-melted for assay at the Mint at Philadelphia the fineness agreed substantially with that ascertained at Denver, in some cases a small gain on the part of the Denver Mint, and that the loss occurred on each shipment in the small bars remelted into one large bar at the Mint at Philadelphia before being shipped for assay."

"If these differences continue it will be a serious matter to the Mint at Denver. As the assays of the large bars all agree substantially with the Denver assays, it is reasonable to suppose that the assays of the smaller bars would agree if they were assayed individually. The error if any, upon the part of the Denver Mint, must consist of a series of small errors, as it would be almost impossible to suppose that so large a mistake could be made on any one small deposit."

"It is recommended that the attention of the Mint at Philadelphia be called to this matter, and the Mint be required either to make a separate assay of each bar, or to see that a thorough mixture is obtained in the melting of these small bars into one large one; or else that the Mint at Denver be instructed to melt the small bars into one large bar before shipment to Philadelphia."

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 6, 1889.

Supt. U.S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Yesterday a letter was sent you authorizing the receipt of 7000 ounces of silver from Clark Dodge & Co. at 92.9 cents, per ounce fine. You will consider this letter as cancelled as the silver will be delivered at New Orleans.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 6, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Tabulated Statement of expenditures for the six months, and fiscal year ended June 30, 1889.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

September 6th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The official bond of Charles J. Deering, cashier's clerk of your mint, executed in the sum of $10,000 and bearing date of the 28th ultimo, has been approved and filed in the office of the First Comptroller of the Treasury.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 6, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The receipt of the Tabulated Statement of Expenditures of your Mint for the fiscal year 1889 is hereby acknowledged.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

September 6, 1889.

Telegram Confirmed.

Clark Dodge & Co.
#51 Wall Street
New York.

Delivery of silver at New Orleans acceptable.

Jas. P. Kimball.
Director, Mint.

Sept. 7, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a transfer be made from the Bullion Fund of the U. S. Assay Office at Charlotte to that of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, of the sum of Fourteen Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-two $\frac{93}{100}$ Dollars, ($14,892\frac{93}{100}$,) in Gold Coin, and Fifty seven $\frac{91}{100}$ Dollars ($57.\frac{91}{100}$.) in Silver Coin, making a total of Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty $\frac{84}{100}$ Dollars ($14,950\frac{84}{100}$,) being the net value of Bullion heretofore forwarded by the Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Charlotte, as shown by Memorandum dated September 3, 1889, of Gold Bullion deposited at said Mint.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Sept. 7, 1889.

Hon. Wm Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States in the name of Daniel M. Fox, Superin-

-tendent of the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, the sum of Five Hundred and Thirty Five Thousand Dollars, ($535,000.~) on account of profits on the coinage of silver dollars, and that the bullion fund of said Mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 7, 1889.

First Auditor,
Treasury Department.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for examination and settlement, the Bullion accounts of the Assayer-in-Charge of the U. S. Assay Office at Helena, Mont. for the Quarter ending June 30th, 1889, rendered to me for the purpose of adjustment as required by law.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 7, 1889.

Assayer in Charge, U.S. Assay Office,
Charlotte, N.C.

Sir:

Deposit Memorandum, dated Sept. 3, 1889 of Gold Bullion forwarded by you to the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Shipment No. 8 dated Aug. 31, 1889 has been received and examined at this Bureau, and the gross value was found to be $\$14,985\frac{52}{100}$, charges $\$34\frac{68}{100}$, and net value $\$14,950.\frac{82}{100}$. For the latter amount a transfer has been re-

-quested from the bullion fund of your Institution to that of the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

Sept. 7th 1889.

George C. Munson, Esq.,
Late Assayer, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Your bullion accounts for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, are herewith returned for correction as indicated in pencil.

You will please prepare a set of accounts in conformity with the changes herewith indicated, and forward them to this Bureau at your earliest convenience, and return the set herewith sent you to facilitate the checking of them.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball.
Director of the Mint.

September 7th, 1889.

Late Assayer, U. S. Mint,
Denver, Colo.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended September 30, 1889, is herewith returned for correction as indicated in pencil.

You will please forward a corrected statement conforming to the changes indicated, and return the one herewith sent you in order to facilitate checking the items.

You will also forward a corrected state-

-ment of earnings and expenditures covering the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 7th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

Assayer's report on gold bullion No. 381, belonging to your bullion accounts for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, is herewith returned for correction. The gross weight entered on the report is 7.50 ounces. The weight after melting and deductions, entered on the abstract sheets, is 7.27 ounces.

Please make the necessary corrections and return the report to this Bureau at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

Sept. 7th, 1889.

Assayer in Charge,
U. S. Assay Office,
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

Herewith enclosed please find bills for subscription to the "Mining and Scientific Press" of San Francisco, and the "Salt Lake Tribune". These bills are returned for certification as required by Section 7 of article 26, revised "Instructions and Regulations" of 1888.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

September 7th, 1889.

Assayer U. S. Assay Office
Helena, Montana.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, has been examined and found correct in all particulars.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 7, 1889.

Assayer, Assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Sir:

I have examined and referred to the proper accounting officers of the Department for examination and settlement, your Bullion accounts for the Quarter ending June 30th, 1889, with my approval.

Very respectfully,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director.

September 7th, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

Your statement of earnings and expenditures for the quarter ended June 30, 1889, is herewith returned for correction, as indicated in pencil.

Please return this statement with the corrected one at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 7, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your attention is called to the discrepancy between the value of shipment No. 5, of gold bullion from the U. S. Assay Office at Helena, Mon. as shown by the invoice, viz: $33,921.90 and the value as per memorandum forwarded by you, viz: $33,837.92, showing loss upon this shipment of $83.98.

Upon examination I find that the fineness of the four bars, assayed separately at your mint, practically corresponds with the report of the Helena Assay Office. From this it would appear that the difference is in the large bar resulting from the melting of a large number of small bars. You will therefore please cause this bar to be remelted and assayed with a view to reconciling the difference if possible. This should be done as a matter of justice to the Assayer in charge at the Helena office.

In this connection I would invite your attention to a letter addressed you yesterday in regard to the difference between the assays at the Denver Mint and your Mint upon certain shipments of gold bullion, forwarded you by the former.

Respectfully, yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 7, 1889.

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States in your name, the sum of $535,000.= on account of profits on the coinage of silver dollars and that the bullion fund of your Mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 7th, 1889.

Assayer, U. S. Assay Office,
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 4th instant relative to the circular letter of instruction in regard to the preparation of the daily statement [form No. 250] you are hereby instructed as follows:

First: - Your ordinary funds will remain on deposit with the Assistant Treasurer. The instructions in regard to the deposit of ordinary funds with depository banks was intended to apply only to those offices where there are no Assistant Treasurers.

Second: - Your objection to paying bills of under $10 in cash is not considered important as against the instructions already given.

Respectfully yours
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 9, 1889.

Hon. William Windom,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you will cause to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States, in the name of Gabriel Montègut, Superinten-

-dent of the U. S. Mint, at New Orleans, the sum of Two Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand Dollars ($275,000.–) on account of profits on the coinage of Standard Silver dollars, and that the bullion fund of said mint be increased by a transfer of the same amount.

Respectfully yours,
Jas. P. Kimball
Director of the Mint.

September 9, 1889.

Telegram
Confirmed

Superintendent Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Advance purchasing rate of Silver to ninety-two and one half cents, per ounce fine.

Jas. P. Kimball
Director, Mint.

Similar telegram sent to:

Superintendent Mint
New Orleans, La.

September 9, 1889.

Telegram
Confirmed

Superintendent, Mint,
Carson, Nev.

Peters' offer of eleven thousand ounces at ninety-two and nine tenths cents, per ounce fine, accepted.

Jas. P. Kimball,
Director, Mint.